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● Paul Wade (Brunswick-Juventus) trains with the new Soccerroos. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

## The big split

The National League has approached major companies for sponsorship of close to \$1 million for the proposed 14-team competition next season.

Restructuring of the league — by the axing of 10 clubs — remains the most contentious issue in Australian soccer, as shown by a "Soccer Action" survey of clubs this week (see pages 2 and 3).

Two club presidents — Guy Spiteri of Green Gully and Joe Sigur of Melbourne Croatia — said they would resign at the end of the season because they are unhappy with the way soccer is being run.

Both claim a national league of any sort, much less a 14-team competition, is inappropriate for Australia. They favor State super-leagues with national play-offs.

Blacktown secretary Peter Thorne warns that soccer is not strong enough at grass roots level to warrant a 14-team NSL. He says an in-depth study is needed to pinpoint soccer's problems and to determine long-term policy.

Even those clubs that support the 14-team concept are not without reservations. Most warn that the new league will fail unless it is expertly promoted and unless clubs sign big names from overseas.

Canberra Olympians and the Brisbane

## NSL chases \$1 mil as axe hovers over 10 clubs

clubs point out that without them, Australia won't have a genuine national league anyway.

Legal action is being contemplated by some clubs in danger of being excluded from the 14.

Others look forward to a marked improvement in the standard of play and in the size of crowds next season.

The NSL hopes to allay fears about \$30,000 affiliation fees by getting sponsorship which will help meet air fares and administration costs.

NSL manager Steve Kamasz was reported last week having negotiated with a South Australian company — believed to be a major brewery.

If costs are kept down, the clubs will be much happier about the new format.

Soccerroo coach Frank Arok points out that the new league will be more competitive than the previous 14-team competition which was abandoned some years ago, as two teams automatically will be relegated each year.

And if the league has sufficient sponsorship, State League clubs will be more willing

to accept promotion to the NSL. In the past two seasons, Victorian clubs refused promotion.

At best, the new NSL will stimulate soccer through the ranks because it will be, in theory, accessible to all through the promotion-relegation system albeit a system that favors NSW clubs over those from Victoria, Queensland and South Australia.

At worst, the new NSL will fail to draw sufficient crowds as predicted by Guy Spiteri who says soccer in Australia is only as good as your club, and that each club draws support from its own fans only when it wins, and regardless of the league in which it plays. There are fears that interstate clashes again will be poorly attended because they can draw on only one set of supporters; that many of the 20 clubs axed at the end of this season will continue plummeting down the leagues under the weight of accumulated debts and that the number of relatively strong clubs will be further reduced.

● Time limitations prevented us from getting the views of all the National League clubs, but the views of 15 appear on pages 2 and 3.

## It's bye bye Schaefer



Manfred Schaefer, the most successful coach in the National League over the past three seasons, will quit Sydney Olympic at the end of the year.

Schaefer guided Olympic to success in the 1983 and 1985 National Cups and the 1984 Northern Division championship.

He is Olympic's 10th coach since 1977, when the NSL was formed. He also is the club's longest-serving coach over that period.

"I was under contract to Olympic for this year when the club offered me a contract for 1987 but I declined the offer because I feel the time has come to make a move," said Schaefer, who played 73 games for Australia from 1967 to 1974.

"Players get too familiar with you after a while and it becomes harder to maintain discipline. And when you are with a Greek club you're under pressure all the time. We get more people at training than Sydney Hakoah gets at some games so you're always being analysed by supporters and people are criticising you all the time. I don't mind pressure. I've had to handle a fair bit of it in my time, but I'd like a new challenge next year."

● SYDNEY OLYMPIC lift-out feature, p.8 & 9

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

## Arok wants skill, flair

After watching the World Cup in Mexico, Soccerroo coach Frank Arok is convinced more than ever that international success depends heavily on skill, flair and imagination.

"You can't reach the heights by basing your game heavily on physical fitness and guts," he said.

"The only way to succeed is to put more emphasis on skill and natural ability. We started doing that in the last World Cup campaign, with careful build-up rather than hitting the ball and chasing it. Now we must go on from there."

"We will select only naturally gifted players, and then worry about slotting them into our system and making them work hard for the team."

"Against Scotland in Melbourne last year, our system of play worked well. We had possession, we got the ball into the box and created chances but the sheer quality of our finishing and our creative play simply weren't good enough."

Asked whether he had noticed any new trend in World Cup play, Arok said: "The philosophy of soccer remains simple. You have to get the ball under control to start your game and then you have to create something out of nothing. To that end, you need creative players, and you can't teach old dogs new tricks."

But even the team Australia had last year could have beaten a quarter of the teams in Mexico, Arok said.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

## Roos get new look

Six players — Tony Dakos, Alan Hunter, Angie Postecoglou, Russell Stewart, Sergio Melta and Steve Maxwell — have been chosen in the senior Soccerroo squad for the first time.

They are among 24 who are preparing for a three-match series against Czechoslovakia next month.

The Australian youth squad for three matches against Czechoslovakia's youth team will be named tomorrow (Thursday).

The youth games will be at King George the Fifth Stadium, Hobart, at 7.30 pm on Monday, August 4; Perry Park in Brisbane at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, August 6 and Lake Macquarie ground in Newcastle at 7.30 pm on Saturday, August 9.

The senior games between Australia and Czechoslovakia are at Olympic Park, Melbourne, at 3pm on Sunday, August 3; Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaide, at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, August 6 and Parramatta Park, Parramatta, at 3pm on Sunday, August 10.

Here's a brief run-down on the new men in the senior squad:

TONY DAKOS, Sydney Olympic sweeper, played in the World Youth Championship finals in Mexico in 1983. Represented Australia five times at youth level and is one



● New Soccerroo Alan Hunter (right) scores Heidelberg's goal in a 1-1 draw with George Cross last Sunday. From left: Sean Keogh, Noel Mitten, Peter Tsolakis, Steve Richardson, John Markovski, Jeff Faulkner, Hunter. Picture: CARMELO BAZZANO.

● Frank Arok's new Soccerroo squad:  
GOALKEEPERS: Jeff Olver (H'berg-Alexander), Mike Gibson (St Geo. Budapest), Tony Franken (C'berra Olympians).

FULL BACKS: Angie Postecoglou (SM-Hellas), Graham Jennings (Syd. Croatia), Ian Gray (Marconi).  
CENTRE BACKS: Charlie Yankos, Robbie Dunn (Adel. Hellas), Garry McDowall (SM-Hellas), Tony Dakos (Syd. Olympic), David Ratcliffe (St Geo. Budapest), Alan Hunter (H'berg-Alex).

MIDFIELDERS: Russell Stewart (Brisb. Lions), Ken Murphy (SM-Hellas), Zarko Odzakov (Syd. Croatia), Peter Raskopoulos (Syd. Olympic), Sergio Melta (Adel. C. Juventus), Paul Wade (B'wick Juventus).

FORWARDS: John Kosmina, Frank Farina (Syd. Hakoah), Steve Maxwell (Adel. C. Juve), Graham Arnold (Syd. Croatia), Marshall Soper, Chris Kalantzis (Syd. Olympic).

of the most cultured sweepers in Australian soccer.

ALAN HUNTER, centre back, voted 1985 Australian Under 21 Player of the Year while with Brisbane Lions and transferred to Heidelberg for \$16,000 at the start of the season. Excellent skill for a centre back.

ANGIE POSTECOGLU, South Melbourne Hellas left back, nine games for the Australian youth team, played in the World Youth Championship finals in the USSR last year. Can also play right back and was sweeper in the Hellas youth team.

RUSSELL STEWART, midfielder, Brisbane Lions, one of the fittest and most energetic players in Australian soccer. Played 21 games for the Australian youth team and was with the side in Mexico in 1983.

SERGIO MELTA, midfielder, Adelaide City Juventus, voted 1984 Australian Player of the Year. Played junior soccer for Birkalla and first made Adelaide Juventus's senior squad in 1975 at the age of 18. Trialled with Treviso in the Italian Third Division in 1981.

STEVE MAXWELL, striker, Adelaide City Juventus, nine goals in the NSL so far this season. Left out of the youth squad for the 1983 WYC finals but toured India with the South Australian State team last year.

Garry MacDowall (SM-Hellas), who was tried out against China last year, is back again, as is Paul Wade (Brunswick Juventus), the 1985 "Soccer Action" Player of the Year who played against China and, in 1984, had a trial match for Australia against Tasmania.



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# We'll be stronger for World Cup campaign

**JOE CARUSO** (Brunswick-Juventus president): "Obviously we can't continue with the present format and we believe the 14-team league will work because the best players will be spread over fewer clubs, thus lifting the playing standard."

clubs to ransom. "The league has taken this step for the right motives but if the fans don't come back, we'll have problems."

"To ensure that they do, we must promote the code and whereas it would cost \$X amount to promote 24 clubs, then for the same amount, we should be able to get more promotion for only 14 clubs."

"The pressure on all clubs has been enormous this year because they're all fighting

for survival. It has meant that the matches have been more competitive — not dirty, as some say. After all, we're not playing women's basketball."

"There have been complaints about the projected affiliation fee. If it happens to be \$30,000, like they claim, there would be a mere \$10,000 more than we're paying this year, and if the league works, we'd get that back in one game."

"There would also be



● **Joe Caruso** benefits for the national team and it may help us qualify for the next World Cup finals which, of course, would rub off on the rest of soccer."

"If it doesn't succeed, at least we will have tried rather than sat on our backsides, waiting to go down the drain."

# Economic forecast bleak

**ERNIE LAMB** (Newcastle-Rosebud): "You just have to read the economic forecast for Australia to realise that things will be tighter than ever next year. Businesses are tightening up and they'll want their bills paid on time, which is not something for which the NSL is renowned."

"I don't think the 14-team NSL will last for too long. The league should stay the way it is, but over the past two years, our league leaders have thought more about their own positions than the good of the game."

"Newcastle has a solid youth programme, we have virtually no debts, we've recently installed lights to the value of \$110,000, plus new drainage and we'll be getting a new playing surface as well but it looks like we won't be in the National League."

Lamb said he had heard that the NSL hoped to sign up a major sponsor for the 14-team league but added: "It seems strange that a sponsor would settle for exposure in only two capital cities — Melbourne and Sydney."

Lamb doubts whether the Australian Soccer Federation will have enough

money to compete in the 1989-90 World Cup."

"We needed a Peter Sheean and the Australian Institute of Sport to get enough money for the Socceroos and the national youth team last time," he said. "Now we're looking at maybe \$5 million for the next two World Youth and under 16 championships. Where's the money coming from?"

"Frank Arok has been reappointed only until after the 1988 Olympic Games, which must put the next World Cup in doubt."

# Crowds higher in State League

**LAWRENCE OUDENDYK** (Brisbane Lions secretary): "We never supported the 14-team move but we were outvoted. We want to stick with two leagues of 12 teams, with the Brisbane clubs playing in the northern, rather than the southern division."

miss out. "I think they should have decided on 16 instead of 14, to give the Brisbane and Adelaide clubs a better chance."

"Meanwhile, our crowd, and Brisbane City's crowd, have almost doubled, as people come along to see

whether or not we will commit hari kiri. "If we don't qualify, we'll go back to the Queensland State League, which will go up to 12 clubs to accommodate us. Our crowd support won't go down. Our average was higher in the State

League than in the NSL because people want to see a winning team and it's better to be a big fish in a small pond. Also, we'll have two sets of supporters at State League games, which will make for a better atmosphere."

# Sponsorship the answer

"We're in the southern division only for expediency's sake because the Sydney clubs didn't want us."

"We were looking at fifth or sixth position because we'd finished fourth in 1984 with what we considered a better team."

"The success of the new league will depend on who gets in. They wouldn't like it, for example, if Melbourne Croatia, APIA and St. George

**FRANK KARAGIANNIS** (Adelaide hellas president): "We'll see legal action being taken by some of the 10 clubs that will be chopped and how the league handles that remains to be seen."

"They want to change to 14 teams, but then what? If we don't get the necessary income and if we

don't get the fans back, we'll just be creating bigger problems."

"It would be better to have 16 or 18 teams, with Adelaide and Brisbane represented to make it truly national, but the real answer is sponsorship. If clubs can get 120,000 sponsorship — and most have got that — then surely the

league can get at least a half million. I believe the sponsors are out there."

# Stickers, photos, free tickets

PETER TSAKLIS (Heidelberg-Alexander president): "Financially, the new league could be a disaster. It could lift the playing standard, but will the people follow it in the numbers that are required? If the fans aren't interested in seeing Sydney teams in Melbourne, we'll be worse off."

"The league and the clubs will have to do a top promotions job to sell the

concept. "If clubs don't start giving away stickers, players' photos, distributing free tickets, doing advertising, getting star players on TV talk shows, generating news stories, then forget it."

"Our gate takings are the same now, with \$6 a ticket, as they were in 1978-79 when tickets cost \$2 or \$3. That is a clear backwards trend."

"We have written to the NSL and the ASF expressing our views strongly and requesting that the ASF opens an enquiry into the proposed format."

"Not enough research has been done. Brisbane Lions sat down and worked out costs for a 14, 16, 18 and 24-team competition, and the 14-team format turned out to be the most expensive to run."

"The past performance criterion is a joke. Canterbury-Marrickville can, theoretically, finish behind Canberra on the ladder, yet be included in the 14-team league ahead of Canberra, even though we've spent \$3 million on propagating the game in Canberra since 1977."

"Unfortunately, the powers that be are not interested in any cities other than Melbourne and Sydney. We will no longer have a national league next year."

"We should stick with what we have because it has not been demonstrated that the suggested alternative will be any better."

"Sir Arthur George said in 1984 when we went to 24 teams that it would save us \$300,000 in travelling costs, so why go back to 14 now, when we couldn't afford it then, and when the crowds are now lower?"

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Olsen, 37, who previously played for Belgian club Anderlecht, will make the move without a transfer fee. His new contract expires at the end of June, 1987.

England striker Tony Woodcock also has signed for Cologne, the side he left for England first division team Arsenal four years ago.

Arsenal is expected to receive about \$A487,320 for the 30-year-old player.

● **Former New Zealand national team coach Allan Jones has joined the staff of Kuwaiti club Al Jahra.**

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## We're in a mess and can't get out

**JOE SIGUR** (Melbourne Croatia president): "I will try my best until the end of the season and then it's good-bye soccer."

"I have spent my time and money for nothing."

"I am so sorry that I did it for 14 years. I could have had a much better life. Now, at the end of the 14 years, there is nothing."

"Not even God can tell you whether the new format will work. We are in such a big mess that we don't know how to get out of it."

"Every club is only drawing, at best, a couple of thousand a game. How long are they going to live?"

"Next year, in the 14-team league, affiliation fees will go up over \$30,000, and the players also will want more money."

"I am sick when I see the NSL leaders. They say that the fish always stink from the head."

"At least I can hope that my club will be OK, because we are building up our ground and club-rooms at



● Joe Sigur

Sunshine. That will solve our problems because our fans will come to the ground, use our facilities and spend money not only on match days, but on Saturday nights and on training nights. We bought the land for \$150,000, we've paid it off, and it's now worth \$700,000."

"The solution is for all clubs to play in State super leagues, with the top five of Sydney and Melbourne playing off against each other at the end of the year. Forget Adelaide and Brisbane. Australia is not ready for that."

"They say we will get more crowds in a 14-team league, but that's rubbish. If Sydney Olympic plays here in Melbourne, the Greeks won't come. If Juventus plays against Olympic in Sydney, the Italians won't come."

"They all would have to get big sponsors and bring out big players, like Paulo Rossi or others on their way down to get the people."

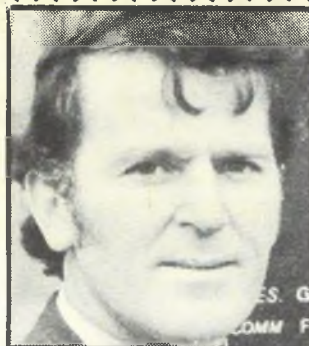
## It's just about winning

**GUY SPITERI** (Green Gully president): "I'm in my last year. I've had it. I've had the people running the game. Our members will be told at our meeting on July 20."

"I won't be running the soccer part of Green Gully next year. I'll concentrate on the social part of things, and on our building extensions which are coming up. I'm cheesed off with the way soccer is run."

"Like every other club president, I've worked my guts out to help the game progress but I feel it's not getting anywhere. It's been run by the same people for 20 years and there hasn't been a fresh idea during that time. Trying to change the structure is like banging your head against a wall."

"Meanwhile, the VFL has taken its code out of its parochialism and made it a multi-million dollar organisation while soccer is where it was 25 years ago. It's pointless to say we've got all these teams all over the place, when no-one's watching them."



● Guy Spiteri

"And in the State League, we at least met once a month to exchange views, whereas in the NSL, meetings and communication don't exist."

"Nobody has ever told me why a national league is necessary in this country. Football, with all its millions, can't make a firm decision to have one yet soccer, which is struggling for its dollars week in, week out, wants an expensive national competition. What for?"

"The 14-team format will not work because we've had it before and it didn't work then."

"Soccer in this country is only as good as your particular team. Take the case of JUST. They're getting crowds at the moment, whether they play Hellas or Green Gully, because they're winning. That's what soccer is all about. If you win, you get your fans on a muddy paddock in June. If you lose, it doesn't matter that you're losing against the best."

## Past fans dead or too old

**PETER THORNE** (Blacktown City secretary): "Any product you sell to a diminishing market eventually will have no market at all."

"League formats are irrelevant to the basic problems of the code as a whole."

"Soccer at the moment gets the media coverage it deserves because insufficient people want to read about soccer. It is up to us to create the demand but we've done nothing to market the product."

"Each club has to do its own little thing to promote the game in its own little area, but when a new Holden car is released, do they rely on every little dealer doing the promotion? No, GMH does it."

"The ASF should get a professional group to undertake an in-depth study, from ASF level down to the six-year-old boy preparing to have his first kick. From the information gained, we might be able to make the right decision."

"We had the option of commissioning such a study a few years ago at a cost of \$35,000 which was pretty reasonable, but we passed it by. It would show what the Australian public thinks of us and what we need to do."

"But we didn't even do research into the

14-team format. All that was said was that some teams had, say, 15,000 spectators at top matches in 1975, and that the new format will lure them back. What wasn't considered is that half of them have died and the other has got too old to go to games."

"We're not creating a market to take the place of those who are moving on."

"And we've got a reluctant market in the first place, because Australian Rules and Rugby League are the predominant football codes, and it is that they command the mass media exposure."

"Our national competition has grown by default and without proper planning. It was based on the misconception of some clubs about where they were at the time and where they thought they were going, and it was all propped up by the Phillips sponsorship."

"But soccer wasn't healthy even at grass roots level and if you expand a business, you do so only when it's running so well that you can afford to."

"Look back at the sixties and imagine that every time someone came to a federation wanting to start a new club, he was told to go to an existing club instead and help start another team there."



● Peter Thorne

"That would have strengthened those clubs and consolidated soccer's resources. Instead, they now are fragmented, with clubs and spectators spread throughout the country, all competing against each other."

"We must learn from lessons like that, and we must decide where we're going in the year 2000."

"In soccer's case, the people at the top are placing too much emphasis on things like the national team or the national league, rather than worrying about the grass roots element of the sport."

"But whatever our problems may be, soccer is still the most popular sport on the planet and that won't change. What's more, Australia will one day win the World Cup because it is there, and we will strive for it. But it requires big thinking and a massive injection of funds to market and popularise the game among the non-converted."

## Higher quality

**TONY AMON** (Footscray JUST president): "I think the new league will work. The quality of the game will be higher and it will attract bigger crowds."

"Look at JUST, which has been producing quality soccer this year. In 1984, the club's turnover was \$127,000. Last year it was just over \$250,000. Now we've reached \$242,000 just over the half-way mark of the season."

"It proves that people want to see quality."

## Marketing a must

**TOM DOUMANIS** (Sydney Olympic president): "I think the new league will be successful but whether the smaller clubs can bear the additional financial commitment remains to be seen."

"And we'll have to wait and see how the league and the clubs market their product, and whether they have the funds to do it. Until we do promote the game, we will remain a backwater competition."

"The future rests with regional clubs like Newcastle, Canberra, Wollongong and Blacktown because the others are exhausting their markets, as migration has stopped. So the national league's long-term future depends on those regional clubs."

## Hellas pays off Olympic debt

Under a weird transfer arrangement, Heidelberg will get \$10,000 it is owed by Sydney Olympic for Stuart Stevenson from South Melbourne Hellas in two instalments.

The first instalment, of \$5000, will be paid by August 30, and the second of \$5000 by September 14.

Sydney Olympic paid \$3000 of the total \$13,000 transfer fee for Stevenson last week, yet Stevenson played for Olympic from the start of the season, before switching to Hellas.

Now Hellas will pay Heidelberg the balance of Olympic's debt.

Yet Heidelberg remained responsible for Stevenson under immigration regulations,



● Stuart Stevenson

meaning the club could not sign another visa player.

And, because it had not received the transfer fee for him, it was unable to buy a replacement locally.

—LAURIE SCHWAB

## Peter Denyer: 312 matches

By PAUL MOON

With 312 appearances in English senior soccer, Peter Denyer brought a wealth of experience with him to Blacktown City.

Denyer joined professional ranks in December, 1975, shortly after his 18th birthday, and made his first-team debut for Portsmouth at Fulham three months later. Portsmouth was then in Division Two, but Denyer was to experience just eight games in that grade before it suffered relegation.

Despite being able to field such soccer notables as Chris Lawler (ex-Liverpool and England), Peter Marinello (a former Scottish under-23 representative), Eoin Hand (capped 19 times by Eire), Norman Piper (a member of the English FR team which toured Australia in 1971), George Graham (the current Arsenal manager and a past Scottish international) and Steve Foster (England's centre half during the 1982 World Cup finals), Portsmouth continued its slump and was in Division Four when Denyer moved to Northampton Town in a \$40,000 transfer at the end of the 1978-79 campaign.

At Northampton, he was converted from defender to linkman. This move upfield enabled the Haslemere-born player to improve his goalscoring, being the team's third highest scorer for four consecutive seasons.

When the 1982-83 season ended, Northampton gave Denyer a free transfer (curiously, it released two other players now domiciled in Australia, Adam Sandy and Steve Bryant, at approximately the same time) and he moved to Kettering Town and the semi-professional Alliance Premier League (now known as the Gola League).

Thus, Denyer was denied the opportunity to reach a major milestone, being one short of 50 goals in first-class English soccer when Northampton terminated his Football League career.

## The costly Cup

The winner of the Nanda National Cup on August 17 will do little better than break even financially.

It will pick up about \$20,500 in prizemoney over five games; and it will have cost that much in wages.

Heidelberg, which meets Sydney Hakoah in a semi-final on July 27, so far has won \$5500 in prizemoney, and paid out about \$12,000 in wages.

The clubs do not get a share of gate takings. Those go to the NSL.

First-round losers in the Cup got nothing, yet had to pay between \$3000 and \$4000 in wages. First-round winners got \$1000.

## Italy's tour off

A three-match women's series between Australia and Italy planned for later this year has been cancelled.

Australian soccer officials confirmed last week the Italian team will not tour because of financial problems.

The series was planned for Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide and would have been the first time in six years the national women's team had competed on Australian soil.

Women's soccer spokesman Heather Reid said the Australian side had competed in nine international competitions since 1980 but, because of costs, had been unable to get other teams to tour Australia.

## It's bugger you, Jack!

**JOHN VLIETSTRA** (Wollongong secretary): "We have been against the concept from the start. I cannot see why Sydney City v. George Cross will draw more than Sydney City v. Blacktown. Obviously there will be some top drawcards but surely if that's all we're in the game for, some alternative could be arranged."

"I firmly believe that the regionalised competition is the best we can come up with."

"I know clubs in Sydney are struggling financially, so how can they afford to play in a more expensive competition next year?"

"Formats have been changing year in, year out and clubs have been changing their administration the same way. We need more stability because stability breeds tradition and we have very little of that left. The rules of the game don't change. Even a slight adjustment of them takes years to implement and I think that's one of the strengths of soccer."

"In Wollongong's case, the past three years have had a tremendously stabilising effect on our club, because the format has remained unaltered for a while."

"Three years ago, the NSL was in dire financial straits and it reorganised its competition to get out of trouble. Now the league

wants to go back to something that failed then, at a time when things were a lot cheaper."

"Players next year will want higher pay, and air fares are going up all the time. Travelling will be a weekend proposition if teams hope to perform well, so we'll be up for accommodation and meals as well."

"I suppose the die is cast, but it's not at all impossible that the league will have another look at it."

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## Relegation a plus

**FRANK AROK** (St. George Budapest manager/coach and Australian national coach): "The move to two zones didn't work, and the 14-team league won't work all of a sudden either."

"However, the fact that two clubs will automatically be relegated every year will at least ensure that clubs will work hard and invest in having the strongest possible team. In the past, we've had some clubs sitting around doing nothing, finishing on the bottom but protected by their so-called development status. At least everyone now has to be serious."

"Exactly how successful the league will be depends on who will be in it, because it looks like some big clubs may have trouble qualifying."

"But from a national team point of view, it will be easier to watch the players and to control our fate because we will be in closer touch with them."

"As a result of the pressures this year, the game has become more physical and some clubs have been trying to play safety first to avoid defeat. There's been more commitment, more enthusiasm in the play. Games don't last for 40 or 50 minutes anymore. Everyone is striving



● Frank Arok

until the last second because the players are fighting for their future and their income."

## Top players necessary

**TONY BASIC** (Sydney Croatia president): "The 14-team league is the best thing possible. I don't see any problems but we have to be united and we have to work in the right way, by getting top-class players to attract the fans. If we get ordinary players, we might as well forget it. Our average crowd is about 6000 at the moment but next year, with better opposition, we hope to get between 7000 and 8000. I just hope Melbourne Croatia makes it because at matches between our two clubs, we could top the 10,000-mark."

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### FOOTSCRAY JUST 3 (Spink 36th, 57th & 89th) MELBOURNE CROATIA 0 at Schintler Reserve. Crowd 3782.

FOOTSCRAY JUST: Nikitovic 7 — Vukcevic 8 — Curovic 7. Belic 7. Barjaktarevic 9. Petrovski 8 — Tapai 7. Stosic 8. Spink 9 — Latif 7. Lujic 7. Coach: Dragoslav Sekularac.

MELBOURNE CROATIA: Runje 7 — Curcio 7 — Hannah 7. McIntosh 6. Talajic 6 — Biskic 6. Bonacic 6. Redmond 6. Campbell 5 (Cristaldo 64th) — Gojevic 6. Markovac 5 (Abraham 64th). Coach: Terry Hennessy.

Best six for Ametco Travel Player of the Year award: 6. Barjaktarevic (JUST), 5. Spink (JUST), 4. Stosic (JUST), 3. Petrovski (JUST), 2. Vukcevic (JUST), 1. Belic (JUST).

CANTERBURY 1 (Zrilic Pen. 64th) WOLLONGONG CITY 1 (Kotamanidis 82nd) at Arlington Oval. Crowd: 858.

CANTERBURY: Hummel 7 — Akoutas 6. Hanriot 7 (Kalogeras 71st). Svinos 8. Hantzis — (Jebrael 7th) — Godzik 7. Radman 7. Zrilic 8 — Zaimi 8. Borges 6. Lucata 5. Coach: Domagoj Kapetanovic.

WOLLONGONG CITY: Young 8 — Green 8. Fleming 7. Vlietstra 8. Morlando 6 — Cokeley 6. Peil 5. (Stefanovski 71st). Gaffney 7. Kotamanidis 6 — Giraldo 7. Easthorpe 5. Coach: John Fleming.

Best players for the Ametco Travel award: 6. Zaimi (C), 5. Green (W), 4. Zrilic (C), 3. Vlietstra (W), 2. Svinos (C), 1. Young (W).

SYDNEY CROATIA 2 (Jurin 89th, Arnold 91st) SYDNEY HAKOAH 1 (Barnes 14th) at the Croatian Sports Centre. Crowd: 5657.

CROATIA: Watson 7 — Rezo 6. Kovacic 7 (65th Clinch). Rozic 8. Jennings 5 — Savor 6. Rumora 6. Odzakovic 6. Petkovic 7 (67th Dragicevic). Jurin 7. Arnold 8. Coach: Vedran Rozic.

HAKOAH: McPherson 6 — Gomez 7. Robertson 7. O'Connor 6. De Marigny 5 — McCulloch 6. Barnes 8. Watson 8 (72nd Paterson). — Farina 8. Kosmina 6. Ohana 7. Coach: Eddie Thomson.

Best players for the Player of the Year award: 6. Barnes (Hak), 5. Rozic (S.Cr), 4. Watson (Hak), 3. Farina (Hak), 2. Arnold (S.Cr), 1. Kovacic (S.Cr).

NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD CROWNED 0 APIA LEICHHARDT 0 at Adamstown Oval. Crowd 1147.

NEWCASTLE: Gosling 7 — Milosevic 7. Owens 8. Bannan 8. Garland 6 (46th Heap 6) — Maier 6. McQuarrie 7. Crabtree 5. Cavanah 7 — Ingham 7. Jones 7. Coach: Peter Irving.

APIA LEICHHARDT: Pezzano 7 — Bozanic 7. Bertogna 8. Brown 7 — Stewart 6. Butler 7. Hristovski 5. Bundalo 6 — Morsello 6. Baran 6. Parison 6 (59th Koussas). Coach: Rale Rasic.

Best six for Ametco Travel Player of the Year award: 6. Baran (A), 5. Owens (NR), 4. Bertogna (A), 3. Bannan (NR), 2. Gosling (NR), 1. Bozanic (A).

BLACKTOWN 1 (Carroll) MARCONI 1 (Tredinnick). Gabbie Stadium. Crowd 1718.

## NSL DETAILS

BLACKTOWN CITY: Curtis 8 — Willis 8. Ainsworth 7. Denyer 7. Northam 7 — Byrne 8. Bradley 8. Sandy 8 — Slater 9. Carroll 9 (Knight 78th). Thornthwaite 8. Coach: Casey de Bruin.

MARCONI: James 8 — Carter 8. Henderson 7. Wheatley 7. Rizzotto 7 (Gunning 74th) — Mason 8. Gray 9. Tredinnick 8 — Lowe 8. Jankovics 7. El Ali 7. Coach: Les Scheinflug.

Best six for Ametco Travel Player of the Year award: 6. Carroll (B), 5. Gray (M), 4. Slater (B), 3. Lowe (M), 2. Carter (M), 1. Sandy (B).

ST GEORGE BUDAPEST 1 (Koczka 30th) SYDNEY OLYMPIC 2 (Soper 15th, Kalantzis 47th) at St George Stadium. Crowd: 5258.

ST GEORGE: Gibson 6 — Skeen 6. Ratcliffe 6. M. O'Shea 6. R. O'Shea 5 — Ricoy 7. J. O'Shea 7 (McKie 75th). Koczka 7 — Cotton 8. Fletcher 6. Ollerenshaw 6 (Petkovski 60th). Coach: Frank Arok.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 7 — Rogers 7. Coady 6. Dakos 8. Spanoudakis 5 — Raskopoulos 6. Estavillo 8. Phillips 7 — Soper 7. Katholos 6 (Johnstone 64th). Kalantzis 8 (Patalis 73rd). Coach: Manfred Schaefer.

Best six for the Ametco Travel award: 6. Estavillo (SO), 5. Cotton (St.G), 4. Kalantzis (SO), 3. Dakos (SO), 2. Koczka (St.G), 1. Soper (SO).

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 2 (Maxwell 78th and 87th) PRESTON MAKEDONIA 0. At Olympic Sports Field. Crowd: 2500.

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS: Nisicli 8 — Higgins 7. Nyskohus 9. Flounders 9. Tobin 8 — Shillabeer 7. Melia 8. Santrac 7. Villani 7 — Maxwell 8. Wilde 7 (sent off 72nd). Coach: Zoran Matic.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Traianedes 7 — Roodhouse 7. Dobson 7. Woodall 8. McLennan 7 — Iloski 6. Van Egmond 7 (Necovski 60th). Heys 7. Piculovski 6 (sent off 72nd) — Cole 7. Lane 7. Coach: Bill Murray.

Best six for Ametco Travel Award: 6. Nyskohus (ACJ), 5. Flounders (ACJ), 4. Maxwell (ACJ), 3. Dobson (PM), 2. Woodall (PM), 1. Melia (ACJ).

BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS 2 (Vesnaver 9th, Patterson 34th) BRISBANE CITY 0 at Olympic Park No. 1. Crowd: 1,167.

BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS: Banovic 7 — Vesnaver 7. Yzendoorn 7. Peter Lewis 6. E. Campbell 8 — Palatsides 5 (Durakovic 65th). Petersen 7. Wade 6 (inj. Incantulpo 56th). Cullen 8 — Patterson 6. Zinni 7. Coach: Len McKendry.

BRISBANE CITY: Harrison 9 — Mengotti 6 (Guglielmino 60th). Perry 6. Vasquez 5. Caird 5 — Fabrizio 6. P. Falconer 5. White 6. Bromfield 4 (Catalano H.T. 4) — Cooper 6. Reis 4. Coach: Billy Wilkinson.

# Furore over World Cup

NOW for some final words on the World Cup. Not from me, for I have run out of them, but from others who were there and whose eloquent analyses looking back on that month-long fiesta are just filtering through.

## This week's games

Sunday's NSL matches with likely winners in capitals:

### SOUTHERN DIVISION

Brisbane City v HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER, Spencer Park, 3pm.

ADELAIDE HELLAS v Brunswick-Juventus at Hindmarsh Stadium, 2.30pm.

South Melbourne Hellas v ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS at Middle Park, 3pm.

Melbourne Croatia v BRISBANE LIONS at Olympic Park, 3pm.

Sunshine-George Cross v FOOTSCRAY JUST at Chaplin Reserve, 3pm.

Preston-Makedonia v Green Gully (draw) at Connor Reserve, 3pm.

### NORTHERN DIVISION

Wollongong v Inter-Monaro (draw) at Wollongong Showgrounds, 3pm.

MARCONI v Canterbury-Marrickville at Marconi Stadium, 3pm.

APIA-Leichhardt v SYDNEY CROATIA at Lambert Park, 3pm.

Canberra Olympians v St George Budapest (draw) at Bruce Stadium, 3pm.

Sydney City Hakoah v Blacktown City (draw) at Sydney Athletic Field, 3pm.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC v Newcastle-Rosebud at Pratten Park, 3pm.

## NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE

NORTH: Wollongong 5 Canterbury 2, APIA 1 Newcastle 0, AIS 5 Monaro 0, Canberra 1 Monaro 0, Sydney Croatia 0 Sydney City 0, Blacktown 0 Marconi 0, St George 6 Sydney Olympic 0.

POINTS: AIS 25; St George 23; Sydney City, Blacktown 22; Canberra 18; Marconi 17; APIA, Sydney Olympic 15; Wollongong 9; Canterbury 8; Newcastle, Sydney Croatia 7; Monaro 6.

SOUTH: Green Gully 1 Brighton 0, Brunswick Juventus 7 Frankston Pines 0, Sunshine George Cross 3 Heidelberg 1, Nunawading 0 Preston 0, Footscray v Melbourne Croatia postponed.

South Melbourne defeated Fawkner on forfeit.

### Southern standings

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Sunshine GX	11	1	2	45	8	23
Sth Melb	9	3	2	34	15	21
Heidelberg	8	3	3	42	23	19
Melb Croatia	8	2	3	28	13	18
Nunawading	6	4	4	20	22	16
Brunsv Juve	7	1	6	26	15	15
Brighton	6	1	6	34	16	13
Preston	3	7	3	15	13	13
Green Gully	5	3	6	15	19	13
Footscray	4	0	9	19	31	8
Frank Pines	2	1	11	17	55	5
Fawkner	0	0	14	3	69	0



LES MURRAY

from the herd'. Slightly differing from the views of one of Havelange's underlings, Sepp Blatter, who, in FIFA News, shamelessly labels Uncle Joao a great man and a wonderful human being, so much so one would think the FIFA chief has a better place in posterity than Jesus Christ, Albert Schweitzer or Bob Geldof.

McIlvanney, who must do with his FIFA News what I do with mine, went on: "Given the unending character of FIFA — It seems to sprawl across the globe as a vast and indulgent international club with a complicated hierarchy of perks and privileges, blazers, badges and expense accounts — Havelange will be hard to shift from the top. No one in his position has ever been as energetic or adroit in marshalling voting support, especially among the obscure new members of FIFA who keep coming over the hills in droves.

"The inner convolutions of the arrangement that took the World Cup to Mexico are certainly not likely to be discussed out loud.

"Nothing can dispel the odour of mercenary convenience, of favours done and paid for, that surrounded the decision to put the biggest sports show on earth on such a currently unsuitable stage."

There, Hugh McIlvanney is clearly unimpressed with King Havelange and his kingdom. Not surprisingly so is Brian Glanville of the Sunday Times. He in fact has been a staunch Havelange critic longer, albeit for different reasons, the real stench of Havelange's reign having earlier escaped his sensitive nose.

Glanville's beef has been Havelange's innovations: the 24-team World Cup, the Youth World Cup, all of them designed to appease the Third World.

But now Glanville suspects that not all is honky dory in Zurich in other respects.

He writes: "He (Havelange) sits there now in shameless autocracy. Though the delegates of FIFA still play Squaler to his Napoleon, the international press is at long last giving him a rough ride. Did he receive this? Did he accept that? Havelange

doesn't care. In his answers at press conferences his complacency is such that he barely bothers to achieve coherence under any kind of charge."

But FIFA and Havelange came out as only the dirt in the wash. The princes of Fleet Street were able to calm themselves with the better by-products of Mexico '86.

"Such misgivings," wrote McIlvanney, "should not diminish our appreciation of entertainment whose general standards were conspicuously higher than the equivalent offering in Spain four years ago and may have featured a wider range of excitingly gifted teams than the World Cup finals have contained since they were previously played in Mexico 16 years ago."

## Top 14

Sunshine-George Cross moved to within tenth of a point of the top 14 last Sunday but faces a tough task against league leader Footscray JUST on Sunday.

The 14 teams for the 1987 NSL will be chosen according to a formula which awards points for past performance, placings in this year's league and crowd support. Here are the points totals so far (crowd figures used are NOT official):

90.0 Syd. Croatia	83.8 B'wick Juventus	78.9 H'berg-Alexander	76.5 Syd. Olympic	72.2 Marconi	71.0 Footscray JUST	70.5 Sth Melb. Hellas	68.2 Adel. City Juventus	66.3 Syd. C. Hakoah	58.4 Preston-Makedonia	56.2 Blacktown	54.5 Wollongong	52.1 St Geo. Budapest	45.4 Melb. Croatia	45.3 Sun. George Cross	43.9 Adelaide Hellas	43.3 APIA-Leichhardt	40.8 N'castle-Rosebud	38.6 Brisbane Lions	29.8 Brisbane City	26.6 C'berra Olympians	25.0 Inter-Monaro	21.8 C'bury-M'ville	20.4 Green Gully
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### NSL SOUTHERN DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
F'SCRAY JUST	10	2	2	22	16	22
BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS	8	4	2	4	7	20
ADEL C. JUVENTUS	7	5	2	23	11	19
H'BERG ALEXANDER	6	5	3	20	17	17
S MELB HELLAS	6	3	5	19	13	15
S'shine Geo Cross	4	7	3	15	13	15
Preston-Makedonia	4	6	4	14	11	14
Adel. Hellas	5	2	7	13	18	12
Brisb. Lions	3	4	7	14	17	10
Brisb. City	2	5	7	14	30	9
Melb Croatia	2	4	8	11	23	8
G. Gully	2	3	9	9	22	7

### NSL NORTHERN DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Sydney Croatia	9	3	2	26	10	21
Sydney Olympic	6	8	0	27	14	20
Marconi	6	5	3	21	15	17
Blacktown	6	4	4	19	20	16
Wollongong	5	5	4	15	12	15
Newcastle Rosebud	4	6	4	21	22	14
St George Budapest	5	4	5	17	21	14
Sydney C. Hakoah	3	7	4	25	21	13
Apia Leichhardt	3	6	5	14	18	12
C'berra Olympians	2	5	6	11	16	9
C'bury-M'ville	2	5	6	15	21	9
Inter-Monaro	1	4	9	9	30	6

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41. Estavillo (SO).
40. Solemidis, A. Hunter (H).
37. Wade (B. Juve), Dobson (Mak).
36. Wheatley (Marc), Slater (B).
34. Jackson (BL).
33. Franken (C).
32. Baran (APIA), Mullen (Ad. Juve).
31. Arnold (S. Cr), Postecoglou (SMH), Stosic (JUST).
29. Lowe (Marc), Bertongna (APIA).
28. Vlietstra (W), Fraser (GG).
26. Ingham (NR), Gosling (NR), Budini (IM).
25. Ollerenshaw (St.G), Cavanah (NR), Raskopoulos (SO), Yzendoorn (B. Juve), Tapai (JUST).
24. Hantzis, Zrilic (CM), Rozic (S. Cr).
23. Crainie (SMH), Flounders (Ad. Juve), Maclaren (SGC), Honeyman (AH), Cumming (GG).
22. Farina (SC-Hak), Butler (APIA).
21. Kosmina (SC-Hak), Maxwell (Ad. Juve), Palacios (C), Nikitovic (JUST).
20. Green (W), Odzakovic (S. Cr), Knight (B), Russell (SMH), Campbell (B. Juve), Gilder (SGC), Hristodoulou (AH).
19. Zaimi (CM), Giraldo (W), Cotton (St.G), Gomez (SC-Hak), Bradley (B), Kalantzis (SO), Ogden (BL), Melia (Ad. Juve), Harrison (BC), Dunn, Konstandopoulos (AH), McIntosh, Biskic, Hannah, Lewis (M. Cr), Latif (JUST).
18. Carter (Marc), Carbone (IM), Dakos (SO), Davidson (SMH), Patterson, Cullen (B. Juve), Villani (Ad. Juve), James (SGC), D. Hunter (BL), Karic (JUST).
17. Blair (SMH), Nyskohus (Ad. Juve), Mengotti (BC), Gojevic (M. Cr), Dunn (C).



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- 10 Arnold (S.Cr)
- 9 Maxwell (Ad. Juve)
- 8 Jones (NR)
- 7 A. Hunter (H), Lewis (M.Cr), Latif (JUST).
- 6 Ingham (NR), Brown (Marc), Carroll (B), Kalantzis (SO), Villani (Ad. Juve), Cooper (BC).
- 5 Jurin (S.Cr), Lowe (Marc), Johnston (SO), Crainie, Egan (SMH), Zinni (B. Juve), Mullen (Ad. Juve), Spink (JUST).
- 4 Zrilic (CM), Rivero (W), Koczka (St.G), Odzakovic (S.Cr), Thornthwaite (B), Soper (SO), Wade (B. Juve), Konstandopoulos (AH), Phillips (C), Smith, Lane (Mak).

## Team of the week

In brackets: number of appearances in team of week.

HARRISON (1) (Brisb. City)	JACKSON (2) (Bris. Lions)	BARJAKTAREVIC (1) (Footsc JUST)	NYSKOHUS (1) (Ad.C. Juventus)	DUNN (2) (Canberra)
CRAINIE (2) (SM-Hellas)	GRAY (1) (Marconi)	SPINK (1) (Footsc JUST)	SLATER (5) (Blacktown)	CARROLL (1) (Blacktown)
EGAN (2) (SM-Hellas)				

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# 'We won't lie down'



● George Cross goalkeeper Sean Keogh (left) and defender Tyrone James combine to foil Heidelberg's Paul Wilson (No 9). At right is man of the match Don MacLaren (Geo. Cross). Picture by CARMELO BAZZANO.

## Heidelberg 1 S Geo Cross 1

Scorers: 1-0 Hunter 59th,  
1-1 Mitten 66th.  
Venue: Olympic Village.  
Referee: Don Campbell 8.  
Cautions: Richardson.

George Cross supporters and committeemen remain critical of the selection basis for the 1987 14-team NSL, which has for weeks allowed second-last Melbourne Croatia a higher rating than the Maltese club even though Georgie has been up in the top half of the table all season.

"We will wait until the end of the season but there is no way we will lie down and allow ourselves to get trampled on should we miss out on making the new league. We have said from the start that the simplest and fairest way of selecting the clubs is on placings at the end of the season," Cross president Alf Zahra said before the game.

While the committee braces itself for what could be a lengthy legal battle, Cross coach John Gardiner prefers instead to concentrate on what is happening on the field of play and came out of this match satisfied with the point gained.

"The ball ran kinder for them in vital areas but we managed to clear a number of situations and I was pleased with the performance of Chris Taylor at a stand-in sweeper except for one sloppy backpass.

"We needed the point to consolidate because another defeat would have seen our top five chances slip by," Gardiner said.

Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey was less satisfied and is starting to believe George Cross has some sort of jinx on his team.

"We have never beaten them in the NSL and this would have been probably our sixth draw against them.

"It was a tight game between two well organised sides and the first half resembled a chess game.

"I felt that the side to score first would go on to win the game and I was pleased to see Alan Hunter's effort go in.

"But while we have defended well in recent games, we were not so tidy at the back in this one and let Cross back into the game.

"There were a lot of goal-mouth incidents which is no doubt what the supporters want to see but while we hit the framework three times, Jeff Olver also had to make a number of good saves near the end so the match could have gone either way," Garvey said.

Heidelberg could have been leading 3-0 by the half time break but a header by Theo Selemidis in the first minute bound clear off the bar, a freekick by the same player in the 15th minute hit the post and was cleared and in the 35th minute another Selemidis freekick was cleared off the line by Taylor with Sean Keogh beaten.

Cross' best chance in the first half came from a shot by John Campelj which hit the side netting.

But Cross came more into the game after the break and Olver had to make a save at point blank range from a shot by Jeff Faulkner within a minute of the restart.

The match seesawed from end to end with Carl Gilder having a header saved and Peter Tsolakis heading narrowly over before the breakthrough

## 'Georgie' threatens legal action!



Peter Desira

finally came in the 59th minute.

Claude Lucchesi headed down Selemidis' freekick and Alan Hunter slammed a shot on the turn to give Keogh no chance and put Heidelberg ahead.

Six minutes later it could have been 2-0 with Paul Wilson hitting a shot which slid under

Keogh's body. But the ball again bounced off the post and into the grateful arms of the keeper.

Cross accepted the reprieve and hit back with a vengeance to equalise in the 66th minute. Roger Bain supplied the cross from the left and Noel Mitten was at the far post to head past Olver.

### Man of the match:

**DON MACLAREN**  
(Geo. Cross)

Cross then almost punished the sloppiness in Heidelberg's backline with MacLaren hitting the ball past Olver only to see the shot rebound off the post. Mitten, running onto the rebound, was unable to stop and could only hit his shot over the bar.

In the closing minutes both sides had the chance to steal victory. Keogh dropped a corner from Mike Valentine and must have been relieved to see the ball cleared off his goal-line, while at the other end MacLaren robbed Hunter and pushed a pass to Campelj who hit his shot narrowly past the far post.

## Yankos comes good



Ken Kontra

### Man of the match:

**CHARLIE YANKOS**  
(Adel Hellas)

## Green Gully 0 Adel Hellas 1

Scorer: Dunn 60th  
Venue: Green Gully  
Referee: Reserve

Crowd: 236  
Cautions: McLelland,  
Manou, Yankos

Referee: Stuart Mellings  
Robbie Dunn's goal was

sufficient to give two valuable points to Adelaide Hellas and diminish Green Gully's chances of a late revival.

After a thoroughly boring first half, in which the home team failed to take advantage of a strong wind, Hellas took control and it came as no surprise when Robbie Dunn put away Chris Manou's corner from close range in the 60th minute.

In fact, Hellas could have taken the lead 10 minutes earlier but was denied by fine

goalkeeping from Lou Denys who punched clear Charlie Yankos' thundering free kick from 25 metres.

This incident seemed to inspire Hellas. It surged forward and came close when John Panagis volleyed over, and Lou Hristodoulou just missed the target after a one-two with Michael Genikas.

After the goal, Denys saved Marou's attempt from the edge of the penalty area and a few minutes denied Hristodoulou.

Gully's best chance came in the first minute of the second half when Steve Douglas' shot was blocked by Martyn Crook. This was by far the best passage of play created by Green Gully.

For some reason Gully lacked confidence on the ball, kicking it away without any method or direction. This lack of patience in possession was particularly evident in the

first half. The Gully playing far too many long balls forward, hoping that the wind would do the rest. With Dunn and Yankos dominant in the air, it was a complete waste of time.

Yankos, who has been struggling a bit since his transfer to Adelaide, had an excellent game at left back, winning the ball consistently and using it to good advantage. Robbie Dunn also had a solid game, showing some fine touches and fancy footwork for a big man.

For the Gully, in an overall mediocre team performance, only keeper Denys and striker Tommy Cumming looked the part.

Hellas coach Edmund Kreft summed it up, saying it was a poor game to watch, probably due to both teams being desperate for points, and as a result players being nervous and unable to develop an acceptable pattern of play.

## Maccarone leaves Monaro

### Inter-Monaro has parted company with long-serving coach Frank Maccarone.

The big arguing point is whether Maccarone resigned or was sacked.

The club's new coaches are former Australian international Harry Williams and long-serving goalkeeper, Steve Hoszowski.

And Maccarone, who was the NSL's only unpaid coach, is taking a well-earned spell.

According to club sources the trouble began about a fortnight ago when Maccarone suspended three players, Ricki Budini, Ian Wotherspoon and Billy Willox, for what he described as an attempted coup against him.

Within days things began to happen.

The players were reinstated — and Maccarone announced he had resigned.

But the behind-the-scenes facts are worth noting.

Maccarone extended his list to five players. The other two have never been named but are believed to be John Walsh and Steve Winn.

Then it came to an ultimatum from the club's board with several players (according to Maccarone) actually contracted to individual board members.

The board voted 6-5 in a secret ballot to issue a directive for Maccarone to depart.

Maccarone's first association with Inter-Monaro was in 1977. He left for a while to coach Canberra first division club Croatia, but returned to take over when Inter-Monaro was in the NSW State League.

"This ends 15 months of non-stop effort. I'm sad but I'm going to take a well-earned holiday," he said.

— PETER WINDSOR

## Bryant laid low



Peter Windsor

### Man of the match:

**JASON DUNN**  
(Canberra)

### Inter-Monaro 1 Canberra 1

Scorers: Djordjieski pen.  
14th (IM), Phillips (C) 49th.  
Venue: Seiffert Oval.  
Referee: Ken Small, Sydney, 4.

Crowd: 620.  
Cautions: Titilas, Perinovic,  
Sermanni.

Monaro's task was made even more difficult by the departure only 72 hours before the game of long-serving coach Frank Maccarone (see story above).

And Canberra was disadvantaged by the absence of player-coach Steve Bryant, sidelined only the day before with what was first thought to be kidney stones but is now believed to be appendicitis.

And this home derby, in glorious, sunny conditions for a winter's day, was watched by a crowd of only 620.

Canberra dominated for most of the second half yet it

was Monaro that was first to find the net.

The goal was unexpected — and for my money quite undeserved.

It came from the penalty spot — given by referee Small in the 14th minute after Canberra's centre back Terry Byrne had made what I felt to be a perfectly fair tackle on midfielder Luce Djordjieski.

Djordjieski converted the chance.

Four minutes later Monaro front-runner Marko Perinovic broke tackles by both Byrne and Jim Harkins but popped his attempt over the bar from close range.

Canberra then developed crisp creative build-ups with import Augusto Palacios usually having a hand at some stage — as did veteran Ian Gibson.

But once near goal Canberra was pathetic.

However, in the 38th minute it did come close to scoring when skipper Tommy Sermanni flung himself to head a cross from Gibson but Mon-

aro's skipper Harry Williams cleared from the goal-line.

With just two minutes of the first half remaining, Monaro was desperately unlucky not to score.

Williams took a long throw and when the ball was stabbed clear by a defender it fell perfectly for Monaro midfielder, John Walsh.

Walsh let loose a cracker-jack shot from the edge of the penalty area. It had everyone beaten — only to smash against the upright.

Canberra got the equaliser in the 49th minute.

Gibson's corner was perfectly struck and big full back Jason Dunn rose above the pack to head the ball straight to the boot of striker Hilton Phillips who obliged by finding the net from only eight metres.

This was great work by the young Canberra full back who, because of his work-rate and tenacity, just pipped Palacios for Man-of-the-Match billing.

## Jurin's birthday present

By RICK BLAKE

### Syd Croatia 2 Syd Hakoah 1

Ground: Croatian Sports Centre

Crowd: 5657  
Referee: R. Davies 5  
Cautions: Rozic, Rumora (C)  
Goals: Jurin 89th, Arnold 91st, Barnes 14th.

Two late goals by Croatia at the Croatian Sports Centre saved the home side from sliding from the top of the Northern Division table. It looked all over for Croatia as the minutes ticked away and Hakoah led by the slenderest of margins. Then came Jurin, followed by Arnold, to steal the points in the dying seconds.

Following a corner kick by Zeljko Jurin, all hell broke loose inside Hakoah's penalty area as Jurin raced in to score from a melee.

Only two minutes later and

from yet another corner kick by Jurin, it was Graham Arnold who rose above Hakoah's defence to head past Alex McPherson.

It was a sad ending for the spirited Hakoah side which had the game parcelled up with a goal from Murray Barnes after 14 minutes. A corner by Joe Watson saw Barnes beat Steve Watson with a decisive header.

Hakoah looked sharp earlier in the game and its 14th minute goal was an indication of play during that period. As the game wore on Croatia came back and threatened McPherson's goal many times.

Arnold managed to force the best from McPherson in the 34th and Ohana made life difficult for Watson at the other end with a shot on the turn. Ohana and Farina combined to see Farina's attempt saved by Watson in the 45th.

The home side looked stunned with a decision by the referee in the 65th minute.

### Man of the match:

**MURRAY BARNES**  
(Syd. Hakoah)

Robertson handled inside his own area and it looked a matter of protocol that a penalty would be given to Croatia.

However, Rob Davies waved play on and Croatia supporters voiced their opposition. Missiles were thrown on to the park, with Joe Watson being one of the casualties, being hit on the back of the leg.

Jurin was soon in the clear but his shot sailed over the bar. Then came another unfortunate incident for Joe Watson. A free kick by Odzakovic hit Watson on the head and the wily midfielder fell to the ground. Lights were out for the hard-working Hakoah midfielder and he was replaced soon afterwards.

Seven minutes later Jurin took a corner kick and dashed into the area to score from a melee and make it 1-1, with the closing minutes giving Croatia that much-needed winner and a step nearer to the title.

Jurin could have capitalised on another error by McPherson some five minutes into extra time but his shot missed the target with the keeper well out of position.

For Jurin, despite the miss, it was time to celebrate. The crucial goal was scored on his birthday and no player could wish for more. One goal, two points and Croatia at the top of the ladder.

An entertaining game at the Croatian Sports Centre gave yet another indication of the closeness in strength between most sides in the league, indicating that the finish in the northern part of the National League will be one of the tightest in the history of the NSL. Sydney City Hakoah is in dire straits and must start winning immediately.

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# Marconi blows it!

## Blacktown 1 Marconi 1

Scorers: Carroll (B), Tredinick (M)  
Gabbie Stadium  
Referee: Jim Reeves 7  
Crowd: 1718

Marconi had two goals disallowed and missed a penalty in an all-action game played at a high level, with spectators literally clinging to the edge of the seats.

Blacktown's early efforts were rewarded when in the ninth minute, Joe Carroll put his name on the score sheet. The move started with the goalkeeper distributing the ball to Darren Northam wide on the left. He played a well-judged pass to Thornthwaite who crossed to Carroll. The striker made no mistake with his shot to the far post from 10 metres to beat the diving efforts of Bruce James.

The best of Marconi's chances came in the 26th minute when David Lowe beat three defenders and slipped the ball to Peter Tredinick whose shot was cleared off the line by John Bradley. From the



## Barry Davis

resulting corner, Ian Gray's right-foot volley found the net but a Marconi player offside.

In the 44th minute, overlapping fullback Paul Carter had a chance to level the score and although his shot found the net, the goal was disallowed, again due to an offside decision.

The second half was only two minutes old when Robbie Slater burst free on the right and played a good cross towards goal. Paul Carter's interception knocked the ball out for a corner but the ball passed dangerously close to the upright.

Then it was Marconi's turn when Mark Jankovics, playing his first full game of the season, set David Lowe up from five metres but the shot was superbly blocked by a reflex save by David Curtis.

In the 57th minute, good lead-up work involving Bradley and Slater had Marconi scrambling the ball away at the last moment from a Bradley shot.

Then El Ali hit the upright and Thornthwaite was denied by a brave save from James.

With 15 minutes remaining, Joe Rizzotto was replaced by Geoff Gunning and Marconi appeared to play with more confidence in attack.

Blacktown replaced Joe Carroll who had been playing his best football of the year, with Steven Knight.

With eight minutes remaining, Ian Gray burst through the Blacktown defence and moved

toward goal. Curtis advanced and brought him down in an attempt to win the ball and referee Reeves immediately awarded a penalty.

What was to follow left the crowd and the players gasping! Lowe strode to the penalty spot and struck the ball firmly. It hit the left upright, bounced on the line past Curtis, hit the right upright, bounced on the line again and then fell into Curtis' waiting arms. Never again will a penalty like that be seen, anywhere.

## Man of the match:

**JOE CARROLL  
(Blacktown)**

Four minutes later, Marconi scored its goal. It started on the left flank when Gray played the ball forward for Lowe. He crossed it for Jankovics who cleverly dummied and allowed the ball to run on for Tredinick to stretch and knock it wide of the already diving Curtis.

Marconi had by far the better of play but was unable to capitalise.

Blacktown's game was solid graft and team play. Indeed, it was difficult to single one play-

er for making an outstanding contribution.

Afterwards, Les Scheinflug said he was unhappy not to have gained the two points.

"We have played worse and won," he said. "The two disallowed goals and the missed penalty cost us dearly."

"I think Casey de Bruin would have felt like a thief if Blacktown had gained both points today," he added.

De Bruin said he was happy to have earned a point.

"It was a good game of open, attacking football and I am sure the spectators loved every minute of it," he said.

"It would have been unjust for our lads to have worked so hard and come away empty-handed."



Paul Shillabeer of Adelaide Juventus climbs high to head away from Makedonia's Sean Lane (foreground) and Gary Cole. Picture: FRANK HOBBS.

# Piculovski, Wilde sent off

## AC-Juventus 2 Makedonia 0

Scorer: Maxwell 78th & 87th  
Venue: Olympic Sports Field  
Crowd: 2500  
Sent off: Wilde (AJ) 72nd, Piculovski (Mak) 72nd.  
Referee: Richard Lorenc (NSW).

Adelaide Juventus survived a battering of its crossbar and post by Gary Cole and Sean Lane to notch two goals in the final 12 minutes from Steve Maxwell.

Had Preston Makedonia been fortunate enough to score instead of miss those golden chances, the stage would have been set for grandstand finish.

As it was, the dominance of Buggy Nyskohus and Neville Flounders in the centre of the Juventus defence and a similar effort from Ian Dobson and Martin Woodall for Makedonia

## Allan Crisp



made life unbearable for aspiring scorers.

Until Maxwell repeated his feat of the previous week of grabbing two goals, the home supporters had little to cheer about.

Juventus started without Joe Mullen (suspended) and Aurelio Vidmar (injured), while Makedonia was minus injured Steve Smith and Con Opasinas.

So with each side denied the services of key men, a balance was struck before the kick-off.

The scoreboard remained

balanced until the 78th minute when Adrian Santrac found Maxwell who displayed his fine finishing skills.

Maxwell repeated the dose when a lucky rebound off Charley Villani left him in the clear and he raced on to beat Phil Traianedes in the Makedonia goal.

There was drama of a different kind before the goals came when Paul Wilde of Juventus and Bill Piculovski of Makedonia were sent off for fighting.

## Man of the match:

**BUGSY NYSKOHUS  
(AC-Juventus)**

Referee Richard Lorenc had his attention drawn to a behind-the-play incident by linesman John Miller and the Sydney Whistler had no hesitation in red-carding both players.

It was a sad game for young Wilde, who was deputising for Mullen. The former Azzurri striker had waited a long time for a full game in the first eleven after overcoming an ankle injury.

"Adelaide Juventus is an attractive team but we felt we should have come away with a point," said Makedonia coach Bill Murray.

"I thought our boys worked hard and as long as they can play with the same spirit in coming weeks, I don't think we'll have any problems."

Juventus coach Zoran Matic said the match was nerve-racking and he was happy to get the points.

"If we play like that next Sunday, South Melbourne Hellas will hammer us," he said.

Matic did, however, concede that the win over Makedonia was worth four points because it gave his team a clear break over Heidelberg.

# Margaritis: 'We'll win title'



## Ricky Rosso

## Bris Lions 1 SM Hellas 1

Scorers: Jackson (BL) 49th, Crainie (SMH) Penalty 50th.  
Venue: Richlands.  
Crowd: 1076.  
Referee: Alan Kibbler 6.  
Cautions: BL — R. Stewart, Liddell, Jackson, SMH — Stevenson.

South Melbourne Hellas coach John Margaritis was a relieved man, both on and off the field. The club's problems were on the way to a successful solution.

In Melbourne, an extraordinary general meeting had resolved moves of no confidence in the club executive news that was warmly greeted by Margaritis and his players alike when relayed to the team after the match.

And in Brisbane, although it hadn't won, for one of the few times this season, Hellas had begun to show form which suggested it may win something this year.

"It is the first time I have had all the players I wanted," Margaritis said, referring to Ken Murphy's recent return, Danny Crainie's return from suspension and the linking of Stuart Stevenson up front with Charlie Egan.

"We need to finish fifth or better to ensure our survival and also to be included in the top five series."

"I am confident now that we can not only achieve that aim but go on and win the top five," he said.

Undoubtedly, Hellas turned in one of the most entertaining performances by a Melbourne team in Brisbane this season. And while all the things Margaritis said were true, Hellas was not the best team on the park. Lions played a brand of football which would have beaten most other teams in the land, and Margaritis agreed.

"If I had to judge Lions on this game I would say they deserve to be among the top teams in the country, and in next year's league. They all played the games of their

they were made fools of in Adelaide. And how will they play next week?"

In that sentence, Margaritis summed up the problem which has haunted Lions all season — lack of consistency.

While the likes of Steve Jackson, Frank Liddell and the Stewart brothers, John and Russell, have had few poor games, the form of their teammates has often fluctuated and as a result success has been spasmodic.

It took fullback Steve Jackson to show the strikers how it is done when he made a run through the Hellas defence five minutes after half time to pick up a well-placed John Stewart chip. Jackson, who must soon be considered for the Socceroo right-back position fired a mean shot into the

far corner of goal.

But Lions' joy was short-lived. Just a minute later a series of events, both unlucky and unnecessary, led to a penalty.

Lions were in possession on the edge of the box with Russell Stewart carrying the ball away from goal. He either was not told "man-on" or did not listen and he was quickly dispossessed by Carl Halford who slipped a neat pass to Egan lurking unmarked on the edge of the box.

Evans, who is back to his best form after regaining his position from Rob Farrow, bravely raced off the line and dived at Egan's feet to block the shot.

But typical of Lions' bad luck, the ball which could have gone anywhere, bounced left to Crainie, who also was unmarked.

With Evans still sprawled, Crainie put his shot on target and it took a spectacular but

## Man of the match:

**DANNY CRAINIE  
(SM-Hellas)**

yellow card-earning punch from Frank Liddell to stop the goal.

Crainie was given the penalty and although he struck it well, Evans dived full-length to get a hand to the shot, yet it was not enough to stop the ball bouncing up slightly and back over the line.

"It was one of our best performances this season and we deserved to win. But as John (Margaritis) said, we now have to play like that every week if we hope to stay in this competition," Lions coach Col Bennett said.

# Kalantzis, Soper sizzle!

By ALEX VESIC

## St. George 1 Syd. Olympic 2

At: St. George Stadium.  
Crowd: 5,258.  
Referee: Jim Rossis 7.  
Cautions: R. O'Shea, Ratcliffe, Cotton (SG); Johnstone, Kalantzis (SO).  
Goals: Soper 15th, Kalantzis 47th (SO); Koczka 30th (SG).

An entertaining and hard fought contest saw Sydney Olympic triumph over St George yet again with Marshall Soper and Chris Kalantzis in devastating touch for the winning team.

The game was going to be won or lost through either an inexplicable defensive error or a brilliant touch by one of the forwards.

Sydney Olympic got the points after Soper and Kalantzis scored two memorable goals with Olympic having quite a few other players deserving of more than a mere mention.

Soper took David Ratcliffe on after receiving a through ball from Peter Raskopoulos in the 15th minute and ran away with ease to run around

warmed the hearts of the goal-starved Olympic supporters.

Kalantzis chimed in to score the decisive goal after two minutes of the second period. A Tony Dakos pin-point cross found Kalantzis controlling the ball on his chest then storming forward to score from a very narrow angle with a sizzling drive.

In the meantime, Saints had scored after 30 minutes. A free kick was awarded for a foul by Mike Coady on Roy Cotton. The free kick was taken by Cotton. John O'Shea trapped the ball and Andy Koczka hit it hard and low. The ball appeared to take a deflection before sailing past a bewildered Gary Meier.

Soper almost made it 3-1 after 59 minutes with Vicente Estavillo feeding a great through ball for Kalantzis who wasted no time in flying forward before sending a cross into the penalty area. Soper flung himself forward only to nudge the ball just wide of the upright.

Two minutes later Soper's shot on the turn had Gibson gasping for breath as the ball hit the keeper high on the

**Man of the match:**  
**VICENTE ESTAVILLO  
(Syd. Olympic)**

Then came Olympic's best chance. Kalantzis deceived David Sken and Ratcliffe then charged forward to face Gibson but his left footer missed the far post.

A minute later Kalantzis was replaced in curious circumstances. He fouled Mike O'Shea who got off the floor and stormed towards the Olympic player. A scuffle broke out and O'Shea ended up on the ground. Referee Jim Rossis flashed a yellow card at Kalantzis while O'Shea was receiving attention.

Olympic coach Manfred Schaefer was quick to take his star player off and replace him with Terry Patalis.

Peter Katholos had a poor game and was replaced by Stuart Johnstone. That didn't please Katholos and he remonstrated as he was led to the bench but the decision by Schaefer was correct — Katholos seldom released the ball

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# Rasic hits out!

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**Man of the match:**  
**JANUSZ BARAN**  
(APIA)

**N. Rosebud 0**  
**APIA 0**

Venue: Adamstown Oval  
Crowd: 1147  
Referee: Evan Venios 7  
Cautions: Morsello (A)  
Hristovski (A)

APIA Leichhardt coach Rale Rasic was bitterly critical of a linesman after his team had failed to take both points against Newcastle for the second time this season.

Rasic claimed several off-side decisions by Newcastle linesman Wayne Purcell had denied his team possible scoring chances late in the game.

To add spice to his criticism, the two linesmen swapped sides in the second half (a move that is not customary) and Purcell had APIA's attacking line for the full game, which further incensed Rasic.

The hard, bumpy pitch and the insistence by both teams to play at breakneck speed contributed to an enormous amount of errors by both teams.

Clint Gosling continued to show the form that has stamped him as one of the most consistent 'keepers in the competition.

His effort are more meritorious when one considers that three out of four of his defenders are playing in their first season of National League football.

But, I must add that defender Ian Bannan, Ross Milosevic and Matt Garland have made the transition to national league without a hitch and, in fact, played no small part in the success Newcastle has been enjoying this season.

Both coaches made changes in the second half in an effort to break the deadlock. Irving brought on Stewart Heap to add punch and Rasic introduced former world youth championship golden boot winner Mark Koussas, to no avail.

One bright light was the performance of APIA's Janusz Baran, whose ball skills and sharpness put him in a class of his own.

Newcastle was well served by central defenders Neil Owens and Ian Bannan, with Baran and Arno Bertogna the pick of APIA.

Peter Irving's comment after the game that it was not a game for the connoisseur was probably the understatement of the year.

Rasic was reasonably pleased with his team's performance, saying it had been constructive but just could not score goals.



● Beautifully balanced as ever, Footscray JUST's Vlado Stosic (right) pounces on the ball as teammate Zdravko Lujic is about to go to ground following a challenge by Croatia defender George Hannah (second from left). At left is Croatia midfielder Luka Bonacic. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

# Super finisher Spink; brilliant Barjaktarevic

**Man of the match:**  
**Rade Barjaktarevic**  
(Foots JUST)

**Foots JUST 3**  
**Melb Croatia 0**

Scorer: Spink 36th, 57th & 89th  
Venue: Schintler Reserve  
Crowd: 3782  
Referee: Graham Warne (NSW) 8

Cautions: Redmond (Cr)  
Warren Spink, playing his third game after transferring from Preston-Makedonia for a mere \$6000, notched a hat-trick for Footscray JUST from a midfield position, but coach Dragoslav Sekularac has no intention of moving Spink into attack.

"Maradona, Platini, Tiganá — they all score goals from midfield. That is modern soccer," Sekularac said. Obviously he won't change his formation to accommodate three front-men, so we'll continue to see Spink ghosting into scoring positions from midfield, making him extremely difficult to mark.

He is a clinical finisher but he owes much to the men who set him up — Ossie Latif and Zdravko Lujic.

And, while Spink scored the goals, it was centre-back Rade Barjaktarevic who got my vote as man of the match, just ahead of the hat-trick hero. Barjaktarevic, 20, was regarded as the weak link in JUST's defence when the season started, due to his youth and inexperience. Under Sekularac, however, he has developed into a man-marker par excel-

lence — a fit, fast, ruthless defender who also is fearless and dominant in the air. During the first half, when Croatia's sheer determination put JUST under pressure, Barjaktarevic won every challenge and broke down every move that got as far as spearhead Robert Markovic. Late in the match, when a combination between substitute Laurie Abrahams and Luka Bonacic gave the latter what appeared to be an ideal scoring chance, Barjaktarevic snuffed out the danger.

Abrahams, having had his first look at Australian soccer, said the better team had won. He played under Croatia coach Terry Hennessy with the Tulsa Roughnecks who won the 1983 US championship. Lately he has been playing indoor soccer with Kansas City.

Hennessy reorganised his team in the hope of countering JUST's strengths. Tony Curcio moved from right back to the sweeper's position, behind George Hannah who marked Zdravko Lujic and Dave McIntosh who marked Ossie Latif. Tony Redmond moved from left back to central midfield to do the destroying and Mark Talajic came in at left back (later in midfield) to replace Victor Cristaldo who was on the bench. The idea, according to Hennessy was to add bite to the midfield where JUST's strength lies. This, he had hoped, would have the desired effect of preventing JUST from playing the ball quickly to Lujic and Latif.

Ironically, it was JUST that snuffed out Croatia's danger men instead of vice-versa.

Even with a strong wind, and with its fierce tackling giving it a lot of midfield possession, Croatia created no real chances apart from a McIntosh



Laurie Schwab

header that flashed wide after a corner by Gojevic. Croatia's other chance was a gift from Ernie Tapai who lost the ball to Biskic outside the box. Biskic stormed forward but, in his attempt to play it square, was foiled by Vojislav Vukcevic who stopped the ball from reaching unmarked Markovic in the middle.

Sekularac said afterwards that he had anticipated Croatia's fierce fight with the wind, so he had instructed his men to play it safe until after the interval.

But the first goal came before the break. Curcio brought the ball forward on the right, it went to Latif in the box and Latif, faced by opponents galore, laid it off to Spink on his left. Spink struck his shot low and wide of goalkeeper Mirko Runje, inside the far post.

Runje was forced into action as JUST became more adventurous. A long shot from Petrovski bounced off the goalkeeper in the 50th minute, but when Vlado Stosic — all class as usual — slid in to challenge for the loose ball, referee Graham Warne, who had an excellent game, awarded a free kick over a foul on Runje.

Lujic was well patrolled by Hannah but every time the JUST captain wriggled clear, he threatened to do Croatia harm. So, it was in the 57th minute when Lujic swivelled past McIntosh who was left on his backside as Lujic went into the penalty area and then

# Great goal, Vesnaver!



Craig MacKenzie

**B. Juventus 2**  
**Bris. City 0**

Scorers: Vesnaver 9th, Patterson 34th.  
Venue: Olympic Park No. 1.  
Crowd: 1,167.  
Cautions: Caird, Vasquez (BC); Peterson, Banovic (BJ).  
Referee: Dennis Voutsinas 7.

David Vesnaver's Maradona-like goal and Robert Harrison's goalkeeping prowess

were the highlights of Brunswick Juventus' easy win against Brisbane City, one of the worst teams in the Southern Division.

City probably isn't used to being well closed down (few if any teams do it better than Juventus) and it simply didn't have the skill level to come to terms with such a tactic.

The game was just nine minutes old when Vesnaver, charging into the attacking third of the field, weaved his way past five opponents then calmly slotted the ball wide of Harrison.

The Brisbane City keeper was beaten once more, in the 34th minute, then proceeded to become the only man who stood between Juventus and a remarkably high winning margin.

Yakka Banovic made one save in the entire match, in the 69th minute. Even then Alan Reis shot weakly, allowing Banovic to get down and hold the ball with ease.

Keiran Cooper, City's hardest worker up front, headed against the bar in the 90th minute but long before that City had been humbled.

Scott Patterson was the man who scored Juve's second goal. Andrew Zinni's electrifying pace left a City defender in his wake as Zinni motored down the left wing. Zinni's superb far post cross was headed square by Paul Wade and Patterson headed in from four metres.

In the 40th minute, a short free kick for Juventus put John Yzenoorn in possession. Yzenoorn's left foot shot wasn't sweetly timed but the ball went to Zinni who turned and shot just wide of the far post.

It was one-way traffic now and the pattern rarely changed in the second half.

Wade limped off in the 55th minute and on came Fabio In-

**Man of the match:**  
**ROBERT HARRISON**  
(Bris. City)

cantalupo, who had played in the youth game. Incantalupo played wide on the left of midfield with Rob Cullen moving inside into a more central midfield role. Cullen was to power Juventus forward time and again in an excellent second half performance.

In the 74th minute, a superb interpassing move initiated by Eddie Campbell put Patterson through. Harrison smothered superbly and 30 seconds later Cullen broke down the right and hammered the ball across the goalmouth. Patterson was lurking at the far post but Rod Vasquez cleared just before the ball reached the Juventus striker.

In the 88th minute George Caird made a dreadful mistake when he was robbed by Incantalupo who managed to push the ball past Harrison. Caird recovered but his first touch was terrible. He pushed the ball almost over his own goal line but at the last second slid down and cleared.

Soccer fans are in for a treat when they go to Olympic Park No. 1 for the outer is in the process of having seats installed. In all, there will be seating for 4,000 patrons in the outer and the installation will be completed in time for this year's finals series. And, unlike the seats in the grandstand, these ones are comfortable, principally because they've got backs on them.

But let's go out with a couple of gems from the ground announcer at this match. First, this classic as the teams are warming up:

"And the coach (of Brisbane City) is a very old friend of ours. You may remember him from George Cross days — Billy Wilkinson."

And after Patterson's goal in the 34th minute:

"No. 2 comes from Scott Palmer — 2-0 for Juventus."

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**Canterbury 1**  
**Wollongong 1**

Ground: Arlington Oval.  
Crowd: 858.  
Referee: R. Marshall 5.  
Caution: Easthorpe (WC).  
Goals: Zrilic (pen) 64th, Kotamanidis 82nd.

Canterbury Marrickville Olympic can still reach its goal of qualifying for the 1987 NSL, but only if it moves away from Arlington Oval immediately!

With players such as Zrilic, Zaimi and Borges as well as Radman, Svinos and Hantzis, it is imperative that Canterbury be given a fighting chance to amplify its strength — skill!

At Arlington Oval last Saturday awful ground conditions prevented both sides from playing more than a mediocre standard football, with a lot of goalmouth action, but little else to satisfy a small band of followers.

The only thing that matched the Arlington Oval surface was the refereeing performance of Robert Marshall.

Late tackling was the name of the game, yet only Randall Easthorpe was booked. Late decisions infuriated spectators and players alike. Burin Zaimi broke through in the 52nd minute and was tackled late with the referee allowing play to proceed. A lucky bounce saw the ball go to Nelio Borges who was brought down



Alex Vesic

On three occasions he refused to use his whistle as players prevented the ball from coming through with their hands, the most blatant in the 77th by Jock Morlando from a shot by Nelio Borges. The Canterbury player was at least 10 metres from Morlando when he took his shot at goal. Nobody can tell me that Morlando couldn't get away and that it was "accidental". A few minutes later and at insistence by the linesman, Wollongong was at long last given a free kick for one of those handballs!

Ken Tooke, the linesman, stopped the progress of Renato Licata on numerous occasions due to offside. Licata should know better but due respect must be paid to the perfectly organised defensive line-up of John Fleming.

However, the linesman got so used to lifting his flag for offside that he committed a cardinal sin in the last few minutes of the match. As soon as Zaimi crossed for Licata, the flag went up with Licata at least six yards inside!

Zrilic and Zaimi combined

bounce at a moment when it mattered most and the chance went begging. Seven minutes later, in the 14th, Zaimi ran around Fleming and cut back for Borges who failed to get a touch with the net gaping.

Then came a Radman back-pass which almost beat Hummel, but the keeper managed to palm the ball onto the post, then save with Easthorpe chiming in, hoping for a favorable rebound.

Borges was free after a cross by Licata had found the Brazilian unmarked. Borges controlled with his head, then allowed the ball to bounce instead of first-timing it past Young. Yet again the bounce was awful.

There were some anxious moments for Wollongong as Canterbury forced three corners in succession only to see Zrilic head straight at the keeper.

At the other end, from a throw-in by Green and a Vlietstra flick-on, it was Easthorpe who missed the ball.

In the 64th, Zrilic and Zaimi combined to open space on the right for Borges who chipped for Zrilic to race through only to be brought down by a combination of

terbury and Zrilic converted to give the Berries the lead.

Arthur Svinos headed just over the bar in the 71st; then came the chance of the match for George Akoutas in the 76th. Burin and Zrilic cut up Wollongong's defence once again with some neat play before Burin cut his pass for Akoutas some seven metres from goal. Akoutas blasted it well over the bar, much to the relief of Warwick Young in goal.

Wollongong forced a number of throw-ins from the right hand side with David Green taking the throw-ins and Vlietstra at the near post going for the flick-on. When all seemed to fail with this set play, Stefanovski managed to force yet another throw in the 82nd. On this occasion Vlietstra did not get a touch but Arthur Svinos did and the ball landed at the far post for Kotamanidis to strike — 1-1.

So the Wolves took away one point, much to the relief of Fleming. And for once it was Wollongong that got the point in the last seconds of the game. I have seen the unfortunate Wolves fall to late goals against Olympic and Marconi as well

**Man of the match:**  
**BURIN ZAIMI**  
(Canterbury)



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● Midfield magician Peter Katholos, who re-joined Olympic recently after playing for Larissa in Greece.



● Tony Dakos, former youth international and one of the most cultured sweepers in the NSL.

## Sydney

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

"The National League and the ASF should drag the commercial TV networks by the scruff of the neck in front of the Australian Broadcasting Tribunal and charge them with racism over their handling of soccer in this country."

You certainly can't accuse Sydney Olympic president Tom Doumanis of mincing his words.

"I've said this before at council of clubs meetings but I keep getting told that we're about to get a better deal from the commercial TV networks. I've yet to see it."

Clearly, Australian soccer would be better served by tying up a deal with a commercial TV network, thereby harnessing the benefits which would flow from increased club and league sponsorship, but Doumanis's comments aren't intended as a slap in the face for SBS TV.

"In general I'm very happy with the coverage of the National League provided by SBS TV but there are areas which could be improved upon. The 'Match of the Day' program is one. Frankly, I don't think that club soccer in Australia lends itself to a 90-minute match coverage. One game, well edited, from the Northern Division and another from the Southern Division would be a far better format for 'Match of the Day' as far as I'm concerned. And the 'Soccerama' show on Fridays is too short. You start to get involved in it when it finishes. It should run for an hour."

Doumanis's dream is to see Olympic run on a full time basis. He estimates that that could cost \$600,000 a year under the current financial climate and the first step in that bold plan could take place next season if Olympic appoints a full time administrator.

Does Doumanis already have someone lined up for the job?

"Hold on a minute, I mightn't even be here next year. Like all administrators, my fate is at the whim of the members. I have to go before them for re-election at the end of the season and it's up to them whether or not me and my fellow directors stay."

"Having said that, let me make it quite clear that I want

## Doumanis dem from TV and

to stay with Olympic for a few more years yet and if I do then I hope to implement my plans.

"Yes, I already have someone in mind as a full time administrator but I'm not going to say who it is yet. That would be premature."

What sort of persons could fill that role, then?

"Someone who loves soccer. That's the first and most essential prerequisite. It must also be someone who understands the individual needs of clubs, the demands of the supporters too and someone who shares the ambitions of me and my fellow directors to realise Olympic's potential to be the most successful club in Australian soccer."

Olympic's debt was a big talking point in the Press last year. Surely appointing a full time administrator as a prelude to having full time players, simply would add to Olympic's financial burden.

"We have paid off part of our debt and are maintaining our scheme of repayment. That's got a lot to do with the quality of the board of directors. This year we have directors who all are businessmen and understand economics and how to communicate. Every director has pulled his weight and they're all reasonable people to deal with. That's important."

"Sooner or later clubs must go full time. It's the only way to go. Right now, we don't get enough people through the gate to meet our costs and the reason for that is because players here are paid over and above their ability to attract spectators."

"I don't want that construed as players for they have to make their play, given that they have other jobs and from training. But the problem part timers so they are unable to pr extra to get people to watch them pl they only train for five or six hours. You can't expect to turn on a spe what we see overseas when players work on improving their skills. The time."

Okay, that takes care of the point players, but why appoint a full tim

"To service our sponsors. Fran haven't serviced our sponsors su lack of manpower. You need some time to deal with sponsors' needs other factors involved in the efficien

Doumanis also is critical of the spectators. Olympic currently is George with the aim of sharing Ba It's something that long has been Olymic's current ground, Pratten cricket arena and, according to Dou for soccer.

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## Schaefer was offered S

Manfred Schaefer would like to go out with a bang. That means that he's eyeing this year's Northern Division championship as a stepping stone to winning the national championship.

Schaefer, Olympic's longest serving and most successful coach, will quit at the end of the season. (see story page one).

And should Olympic win both the Northern Division and national championships, Schaefer would

be able to boast a record that involves winning a major honor in each of the four seasons he's been with the club. When he took over late in 1983, Olympic won the National Cup. It won the Northern Division championship in

1984 and the National Cup against last year.

"Obviously the National Cup isn't something we can aim for, having been knocked out in the quarter finals, so we must look at trying to win the league championship. From a personal and professional point of view, leaving Olympic after having won the championship would give me great satisfaction," said Schaefer.

"Even if we don't win the championship this year, I'd like to feel that I have achieved something with Olympic. Hopefully, when I leave, the club will have been better off for me being there."

Schaefer's distinguished playing and coaching record should ensure that he receives offers from other clubs. Schaefer almost took over the coaching reins at South Melbourne Hellas in the late 1970s but what isn't well known is that he almost was appointed as-

He averages a a year and he after another o

sistant national coach in the 70s.

"In 1976 Sir Arthur George and Alex Pongrass spoke to me about becoming assistant national coach. I was absolutely over-the-moon about it but when I spoke to Jim Shoulder, who was national coach at the time, he knew nothing about it. I decided then that it wasn't the right thing for me to do."

"Later on I flew down to Melbourne to talk to Sam Papasavas, who was president of South Melbourne Hellas then. The problem was that my wife didn't want to move from Sydney but that's not a problem any more. If I get an

offer to coach interstate next year and I like the set-up at the club, I'll move."

And if Schaefer was offered the national coaching position?

"Oh, come on, don't put me on the spot like that. "Frank Arok is doing a great job. Okay, it's every coach's dream to coach the national team but right now I'm happy to coach at club level."

"I firmly believe that the national coach should be appointed on a full time basis. I had, as a player, a lot of time for my national coaches — 'Uncle' Joe (Vlasits) and Rale (Rasic) — and I've known Frank Arok for

some time. Frank's done a tional team far as I'm I'm not in f ing involve George and team. It sh the other."

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### THE SQUAD

**GOALKEEPERS:** Gary Meier, Bill Londos, George Bouhoutos.

**DEFENDERS:** Martyn Rogers, Mike Coady, Tony Dakos, Andy Stankovic, Emanuel Spanoudakis.

**MIDFIELDERS:** Vicente Estavillo, Stuart Johnston, Peter Raskopoulos, Gary Phillips, Peter Katholos.

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more professionally but Pratten Park is in a residential area and come match day the local residents are put under tremendous pressure. I understand their plight. No matter what the local council does, the residents simply don't want large crowds at Pratten Park on Sundays.

"We made approaches to use Jubilee Oval but St George's rugby league club uses it for training. We then approached Leichhardt council about using Wentworth Park and actually, we're still talking about that. The drawback to using Wentworth Park is that it wouldn't provide a good atmosphere for matches. Yet it has the best grandstand in Australia. It can seat 12,000 people under cover and there is parking there for 2,000 cars. The other good thing about Wentworth Park is that it isn't situated in a predominantly residential area. But we're keeping our options open. St George will get back to us soon with a proposal for sharing Barton Park and we'll take it from there.

"If we use Barton Park next year, we expect our crowds to increase. The facilities there are better than those at Pratten Park and the playing surface is better. That would allow our team, essentially made up of ball players to exhibit more of its skill."

Should Olympic surprise by staying at Pratten Park, how could Doumanis and his board find the money to improve facilities there?

"The onus no longer is on clubs to finance improved facilities. That's clear by the way state governments

have financed ground improvements to other codes such as rugby league, union and Australian rules football. Isn't it about time that soccer got a fair go from state governments?

"Sport now is seen as a way of keeping the masses happy or, at least, diverted from politics, and come election time governments can remind sports followers of their generosity is providing funds for ground improvements. Such funding has become extremely politically desirable in this country."

It's also politically desirable, at club level, to thank sponsors for their generosity. Doumanis would be well aware of that but when he talks about Olympic's major sponsor this year, De-Costi Seafoods, his words don't have a hollow ring.

"I've got no hesitation in saying that De-Costi Seafoods are one of the best major sponsors Olympic has had. Ken Kotsapas, De-Costi's accountant, is an Olympic fan but his decision to recommend sponsoring Olympic to the tune of about \$30,000 this year, was made for good business reasons. Ken could see his company getting mileage out of its sponsorship. When you consider that the sponsorship only was arranged in April this year, long after budgets are set, you realise the firmness of De-Costi's commitment and the company has been extremely generous in placing advertisements in newspapers which promote our club and De-Costi's involvement with us."

Let's assume that Olympic's members give Doumanis the thumbs-up sign at this year's general meeting and let's also assume that his dream of turning Olympic into a full-time operation is achieved. What's next for Doumanis? Would he consider getting involved in administration at NSL or ASF level?

"At that level there simply isn't enough support staff for an administrator to work close to his or her potential. People like Stefan Kamasz and Brian Emery aren't short of good ideas but they're short of support staff so I suppose people will keep moaning and groaning about certain aspects of their work."

"I'm quite happy to be involved at club level. The knives there are far shorter than they are at NSL or ASF level, you know. It follows, therefore, that they're a hell of a lot easier to extract."



● Dynamic striker Marshall Soper holds aloft the 1983 National Cup, won by Olympic against Heidelberg. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.



● Sydney Olympic's midfield leader, Peter Raskopoulos — 20 appearances for Australia.

### a title he's one

ome time now. What rank's done with the national team is fantastic as far as I'm concerned but not in favor of him being involved with both St George and the national team. It should be one or the other."

Schaefer has been the overseer of quite a few changes in Olympic's playing staff from last season.

Mark Koussas joined PIA, Graham Jennings switched to Sydney Croatia for \$25,000, Jim Ziras moved to the NSW State League, as did Richie Burke, Alex Lambropoulos joined St George for \$5,000, Simon Ogun went back overseas, George

Haniotis joined Canterbury for \$2,500, as did Arthur Svingos, on loan.

Schaefer signed striker Stuart Stevenson from Heidelberg Alexander, Simon Brandt from Newcastle Rosebud United and midfielder Vicente Estavillo on a free from Uruguay Auburn in the NSW State League. Stevenson, however, joined South Melbourne Hellas a couple of weeks ago. Had Schaefer made a mistake in signing him?

"I still say that Stuart Stevenson is a top class player. When he didn't score goals the fans put him under pressure but that's the way it is at Olympic and players and coaches have to learn to handle it."

Terry Patalis and Peter Katholos both returned to Olympic this year after stints overseas. Despite conjecture in the Greek Press that Katholos, one of the club's favorite sons, wasn't wanted, he signed and immediately rejoined the first team squad he'd left last year to play with Larissa.

Schaefer concedes, given the fanataticism for suc-

cess of Olympic supporters, that his biggest "mistake" this year is drawing so many games. Had just four or five of these games been wins, Olympic would have been perched proudly on top of the Northern Division ladder. But there's cause for optimism. Schaefer's first team squad is almost back to full strength. Striker Nick Theodorakopoulos, who broke a leg last year and aggravated the injury last Christmas when playing indoor soccer, is back in action, having played the last few games in the youth team. "On and off the field, the club has set a firm foundation for success. We have one of the best medical set-ups in Australian soccer and a tremendous physio in Spencer Thorpe, we have by far the best goalkeeping coach in Australia in Nick Sokoloff, for the first time I have a liaison officer who does a really fine job and the committee is prepared to go for stability rather than chopping and changing coaches."

— CRAIG MACKENZIE



● Manfred Schaefer (left) in action for Australia against Derek Dougan of Wolverhampton Wanderers. Schaefer made 73 Socceroo appearances between 1967 and 1974.

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Il campionato nazionale di calcio 1986, partito con grosse promesse di sollevare il livello della competizione a causa della necessaria selezione per scegliere le 14 "elette" a rimanere nel girone unico del 1987, si sta avviando invece ad essere uno dei piu' noiosi e "brutti" campionati nella storia della Lega Nazionale.

L'unica squadra che ha veramente risposto alla sfida di "Migliorare o perire" e' stato il JUST che ha operato un rinnovamento quasi totale sia dei quadri che dello stile di gioco, importando un grande allenatore in Sekularac ed alcuni elementi eccezionali dalla Jugoslavia e reperendo localmente dei giocatori capaci di produrre risultati e spettacolo che riappacificano i tifosi con lo sport del calcio.

Per il resto, almeno per quello che riguarda il girone meridionale, si e' trattato quasi esclusivamente della solita minestra condita con intrugli che altro non erano che palliativi di nessuna conseguenza.

I soliti nomi di sempre continuano a mettere in scena la solita farsa domenicale, magari cambiando casacca accettando di "vendersi" al maggior offerente.

In realta' la necessita' di salvarsi ha forzato la maggior parte delle squadre a mettere in mischia un calcio piu' rinunciatorio e "cattivo", teso principalmente a non perdere cercando di impedire alle avversarie di giocare.

Per di piu' con solo otto partite rimaste per la "resa dei conti" e' ormai gia' ovvio che le squadre che non sperano piu' di riuscire ad entrare nel girone unico dell'anno prossimo stanno tirando i remi in barca e a fare preparativi o per il disarmo o per interminabili proteste ed appelli che renderanno ancora piu' difficile il

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### Siamo stufi della 'solita minestra'

felice varo dell'ennesima edizione riveduta e corretta della Lega Nazionale.

Nonostante il formato della competizione per il prossimo anno sia stato "deciso definitivamente", noi non siamo disposti a mettere la mano sul fuoco che tutto andra' come previsto, specialmente se a rimetterci le penne saranno squadre come la Croatia di Melbourne e l'APIA di Sydney.

Di un modo o di un altro, oltre agli interessati diretti, qualcuno cerchera' di esorcizzare dei ritrovati per salvare queste squadre che hanno sempre dato un contributo notevole di pubblico e di finanza ad una competizione che e' tragicamente a corto di questi due essenziali ingredienti.

Una Lega Nazionale senza un Croatia avra' ovviamente ridotte possibilita' di successo; ed una competizione nazionale formata da squadre di Melbourne e Sydney piu' una solitaria formazione dal South South Australia sarebbe "Nazionale" solo di nome e perderebbe percio' il motivo intrinseco di esistere.

Quindi possiamo prevedere fin da adesso che il ritorno al girone unico il prossimo anno sara' un ennesimo fallimento, superiore addirittura a quello verificatosi con il precedente girone unico durato fino al 1983 e appunto fatto fuorvi a favore del formato a due gironi che adesso viene gettato alle ortiche per ritornare ad una formula precedentemente fallita.

La morale della favola e'

che non importa quale sia il formato della competizione, le cose ormai vanno di male in peggio perche' la gente e' stufa della solita minestra e la classe dirigenziale a livello di societa' e' stanca e stufa di arrabattarsi per fare quadrare i bilanci e mantenere assieme della baracche che stanno crollando da tutte le parti, principalmente perche' abbiamo delle federazioni e delle amministrazioni di leghe assolutamente incapaci di pianificare il futuro e di mettere a buon uso tante energie e risorse.

Il calcio Australiano ormai non puo' piu' contare sul senso esasperato di nazionalismo delle varie comunita' etniche come era il caso fino agli Anni '50 e '60 e non e' riuscito a conquistare il pubblico indigeno in proporzioni significanti. Ora puo' giocare una sola carta: la qualita' dello spettacolo, la forza trascinatrice dei grandi nomi e l'efficienza organizzativa di aziende a conduzione privata.

Lo spettacolo che bisogna sorbire sui campi di gioco locali ormai da anni e' sceso ad un livello patetico perche' ha come attori dei mediocri artigiani di una delle scuole calcistiche piu' povere del mondo, quella scozzese. Negli anni precedenti, almeno, c'era un veloce rinnovamento dei quadri che permetteva l'eventuale emergenza di qualche giocatore eccezionale. Negli ultimi anni invece le restrizioni sulle importazioni hanno fermato il flusso di sangue nuovo dall'estero senza tra l'altro creare posti liberi per talenti locali, perche' la maggior parte degli

allenatori preferiscono "vecchi ronzini" pieni di esperienza e cattiveria a giovani puledri scalpitanti ed inesperti che tra l'altro non hanno piu' la possibilita' di imparare giocando a fianco di buoni maestri.

I grossi nomi ormai non esistono piu' perche' sono stati livellati dagli anni di eta' e di servizio. Un Charlie Egan non ha piu' nessuna attrazione nemmeno per i piu' accesi tifosi dell'Hellas che ormai lo vedono dimenarsi allo stesso modo e con risultati sempre meno appariscenti da diversi anni; un Doug Brown e' ormai diventato una noia, un Robert Cullen e' diventato un'abitudine e tanti altri sono diventati delle nullita'. La classe dirigenziale a livello di societa' ha anche fatto il suo tempo e non riesce piu' a dare quei segni di vitalita' e di innovazione che sono tanto essenziali per mantenere vivo l'interesse di un pubblico sempre piu' esigente e sempre piu' portato a cercare nuovi modi di divertirsi o di ammazzare il tempo libero. Ormai voler amministrare uno sport sfruttando le limitate capacita' di tanti volenterosi e qualcosa che appartiene ad un passato molto lontano dalla realta' sportiva, sociale e imprenditoriale dei nostri giorni.

Forse e' arrivata l'ora di cominciare a pensare seriamente a societa' calcistiche a conduzione privata anche qui in Australia, poiche' il calcio sta diventando sempre piu' un "business" in cui e' necessario avere dei "businessmen" disposti e capaci a prendere rischi economici da contrapporre a possibilita' di guadagni futuri o, almeno, alla soddisfazione di dedi-

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# BANNON SACKED

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

**Caulfield expects midfielder Paul Harris from English club Carshalton Athletic to arrive this week while Melbourne Hungaria dropped a bombshell late last week when it told Paddy Bannon that he was sacked as player-coach.**

Bannon just had returned from the World Cup finals and a short stay in his native Scotland to find that influential members of Melbourne Hungaria's committee had decided that Ian McCarthy, who was acting in a caretaker capacity during Bannon's absence, should stay on as coach for the rest of the season.

I understand that the Melbourne committee is split over the matter and that it will discuss the situation this week but as far as Bannon is concerned, he's been given the bullet.

"I was told that I was sacked because I was away too long," said Bannon.

"My ticket actually allowed me to stay in Scotland until July 21 but I came back because of my commitment to the team."

The committee's decision has sparked unrest among the players. When McCarthy told the players of the committee's decision at training last Thursday night, they were far from happy. I understand that captain John Bird refused to train in protest over the decision.

The irony of the situation is that while overseas, Bannon arranged for three players to join Melbourne Hungaria. It's safe to assume that these players, all with good playing backgrounds, won't be heading Melbourne's way now. "It's left a pretty bad taste in my mouth," said Bannon.

"It was suggested to me that I resign so that I'd feel better as a man, whatever that's supposed to mean. I told the guy concerned that I'm feeling fine as a person and that I had no intentions of resigning."

Melbourne Hungaria is yet to win a game under McCarthy and on Saturday at J.T. Gray Reserve its fortunes aren't likely to change against Peter Boyle's Fawkner outfit.

The big news at Fawkner is that striker Bruno Cozzella hasn't been sighted at training recently. He turned up late for Fawkner's clash with Frankston Pines two weeks ago and coach Boyle told him that he was on the bench. Apparently, Cozzella refused to sit on the bench and left the ground.

With Panikos Ttofari back from suspension and Harris expected to arrive from England, Caulfield should be able to field its strongest midfield combination of the season when it clashes with Ringwood Wilhelmina at Jubilee Park on Sunday. Caulfield should win.

The big clash of this weekend's round is at Ross Reserve on Sunday when Springvale City runs into Croydon.

The Vales were hammered 4-0 last Sunday by Western Suburbs, blowing a chance to open up a six-point break at the top and if Croydon is to realise its ambition of winning successive championships it must win this one.

I think it will, even though Springvale's recent record against Croydon is excellent.

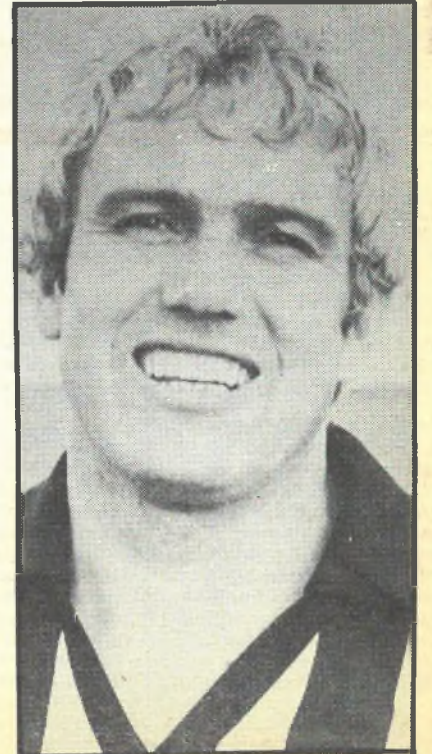
One of the keys to Springvale's great 12-game unbeaten run which ended last weekend has been the form of left-sided midfielder Neil Garvey. In fact, Garvey is yet to play in a losing Springvale side this season. But he's been plagued by a thigh injury for the past two weeks and still is doubtful for the Croydon match, although Springvale masseur Hugh McCann no doubt will be working overtime to try and get Garvey fit for this vital clash.

In Andy Humble, Graham French and Dave Brogan, Croydon has the best strike force in State League, but coach Peter Ollerton will have to reshuffle his defence due to the suspension of stopper Jim O'Reilly, who was sent off after clashing with Danny Zemunik during Croydon's 2-1 win over Caulfield last Sunday.

Brendan Farmer and Jed Stenson took charge of the midfield for Western Suburbs against Springvale and if they maintain their form, there's every reason to believe that Suburbs might beat St. Albans Dinamo at Churchill Reserve on Saturday.

Dinamo striker Ivan Duzel has won plenty of admirers in recent weeks and clearly is the danger man as far as Suburbs are concerned.

Frankston Pines will have Frank Macleod and John Cullen back from suspension for Saturday's clash at Monterey Reserve with Morwell Falcons but Graham Watson will be out of action for a few more weeks. He was operated on last Monday for two depressed fractures to a cheekbone.



● Paddy Bannon: "It's left a pretty bad taste in my mouth."

Pines certainly didn't have things all their own way against Polonia last weekend even though the most crucial moment in the match came when Pines were awarded a penalty in the second half only for John Cumming to strike his attempt against the post and Richie Armstrong, following up, headed over.

Morwell suffered a setback when it went down 2-0 to Thomastown last weekend but I think it can gain a point against Pines.

Box Hill's push for the top won't be stopped by Polonia at Wembley Park on Sunday even though this should be a very tough encounter for the Hillmen. Polonia is far stronger now thanks to the presence of Gerry Bennett, Rob Nelson, Aki Kotzichalis and Paul Drinoczky but it still has problems in midfield whereas in Andy Hughes and Barry Burton Box Hill boasts two of the most industrious performers in State League. If Hughes and Burton get on top in midfield and the service to frontrunners Phil Griffin and Laurie McKinna is good, Box Hill will win.

Thomastown's biggest worry, going into Sunday's Partridge Reserve clash with Northcote, is the fitness of striker George McMillan. He injured a knee against Morwell Falcons and was having treatment throughout this week in a bid to face Northcote. If coach Mike Lynn can field his strongest combination, Thomastown should win.

Here are this weekend's games with likely winners in capitals:

#### SATURDAY

Melbourne Hungaria v FAWKNER at J.T. Gray Reserve, 3pm.

Frankston Pines v Morwell Falcons (draw) at Monterey Reserve, 3pm.

St. Albans Dinamo v WESTERN SUBURBS at Churchill Reserve, 3pm.

#### SUNDAY

BOX HILL v Polonia at Wembley Park, 3pm.

THOMASTOWN v Northcote at Partridge Reserve, 3pm.

Springvale City v CROYDON at Ross Reserve, 3pm.

Ringwood Wilhelmina v CAULFIELD at Jubilee Park, 3pm.



● Northcote, back row: Gary Cutler, Jimmy Stiliadis, Juan Toro, Alex Gymnopoulos, Mark Turudia, George Kouremenos, George Bozikis, Jim Small, Roy MacLaren (coach). Front row: Bobby Toal, Peter Constantinou, Chris Bekiaris, Ksiny Drakeford, Arthur Patiniotis, Jimmy Constantinou. Picture: LES SHORROCK.

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# INDOOR SOCCER (international rules)



● Melbourne Eliminators and Victoria captain Maurice Bisetto (left) with some of the students who learned about indoor soccer from him at a recent camp.

## Schoolboys competition

The schoolboys competition at Donvale is running very well according to administrator Maurice Bisetto.

"Both Doncaster teams had good wins and are proving to be a strong force in the run in for the finals.

"Composite had its first loss for the season. It lost the match in the first half and seemed shell-shocked by the strength and ability of Doncaster A. The young Composite team settled down in the second half after getting a roasting from its coach," said Bisetto.

"Marcellin is yet to win a game, but is getting better all the time. This may be its week.

"A player to watch is Doncaster A's John Pilapisio who has scored 18 goals in three games. He was goalkeeper in the team's first game!"

Schoolboys standings										
	W	D	L	F	A	Pt				
Doncaster HS A	4	0	0	31	6	12				
Doncaster HS B	3	0	1	36	5	10				
Composite	3	0	1	10	20	10				
Marcellin SBR	2	0	2	14	5	8				
Donvale HS A	2	0	2	16	18	8				
Templestowe HS	1	0	3	15	28	6				
Donvale HS	1	0	3	10	31	6				
Marcellin Jnr	0	0	4	4	23	4				

## Ugly Juventus; Tsigaris scores for Nationals

The Preston Centre has signed up a lot of teams for its new competition to start in a few weeks time.

Director Dean Poropat has had to turn teams away, as the centre only can accommodate a certain number of teams.

New teams who have not registered yet can look forward to new Eliminator centres opening up soon.

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With the National League beginning at the end of August a select team from the Eliminator centres will make its way around our sister states to com-

pete for the Australian National League Championship.

Teams to begin the next season at Preston are as follows:

### Open Age

Grasshoppers, Nationals, Euronations, Goodonya, Ugly Juventus, Mutundies Revenge, Celtic and Preston Pythons.

### Youth

Makedonian Raiders, United Nations, Gladstone Park Raiders, Zagners, Makedonian Eliminators, Athens Strikers.

Let's look at highlights from recent practice matches at the Preston Elimination Centre:

### Mutundies 2

#### Ugly Juventus 8

Mutundies, adding Revenge to their name after last season's dismal performance, were out to win this practice match against Ugly Juventus, which has former Mutundies players in its team. But, as the score indicated, revenge still is

far away as players such as Giambastioni and Puccini for Ugly Juventus put away seven goals between them.

### Euronations 3 Grasshoppers 9

Last season's open championships Euronations still must have been under the weather due to celebrating their win, as their game against Grasshoppers was not a good performance. Grasshoppers, who have former Makedonia players in the team, put away some beautiful goals, coming from Velce Kondinski and Ivan Murador. This

team certainly will be a force to be reckoned with.

### Nacionals 2 Goodonya 1

Ex-Hellas keeper Lou Tsigaris has joined Nacionals and their first practice game gave them a win with Tsigaris scoring Goodonya still is running hot after losing in the senior finals and John Giordano assures us that his team is going to be fighting to get into the finals again.

### Athens Strikers V. Red Star

A very close game was

played between the Athens Strikers and Red Star, new teams in this youth league. The number of fouls in the game showed the competitiveness of both sides and in the end it was the Strikers who ended the game as victors.

### Gladstone 0 Zagners 8

Former Makedonia player Carlo Renna, now transferred to Zagners, was a definite bonus to his new team as he scored three goals to help his team win 8-0. The young Gladstone Raiders were overrun by the talent in the Zagners team.

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● Award winners in the Preston Eliminator League, from left: Mazda Tosevski of Junior Cosmos (top scorer in the Youth League), Velce Kondinski of Makedonia (top scorer in the Senior League) and Jimmy Galanis of Junior Cosmos (best and fairest in the Youth League).

# ALATSAS STEALS THE SHOW

### Smooth Operators 12 Riviera 2

This game, which was to be the best of the night in the Donvale League, turned out to be a most painful one for Riviera.

With the loss of its star goalscorer from the previous week, Riviera quickly made a new signing in Cooper who unfortunately was only able to give it one goal.

The game was dominated by the skilful Smooth Operators who most spectators say are the model team to watch if you want to know how indoor soccer is played. With their five players, Operators divided the goals between them, while keeper Terzini watched the goalmouth.

The hat-tricks came from Filipelli and Bisetto while two goals were scored by Boin. Micheloudakis scored four goals.

Fumic was the only scorer for Riviera, which was not up to the skill level of Smooth Operators.

### Canons 8 Nike 4

The Alatsas show. That is how most observers described the game between Canons and Nike.

Nike appeared to be getting out of its slump with two goals in the first half and a lot of excitement buzzing about the court.

But Spiro Alatsas put his first three goals away without any problems and even let Steve Musci score one before he went on in the second half and scored another four for the Canons.

The Nike team nevertheless played a tough game trying to get the ball away from the forward line of the Canons and deeper into its own scoring zone.

Sliskovic for Nike was a very determined player and his attempts to score and pass the ball made the game even more interesting.

But the game went to Canons with not too much difficulty and the man of the match again was Alatsas.

### Red Devils 6 Bonds 5

Bonds were very unlucky to lose this match against the Red Devils.

The game contained a lot of action from start to finish. Peter Papaconstantinou for Bonds put in another fine performance with a total of four goals to his credit.

At the end of the first half it appeared that the game was going to continue with the same fire with which it started and this was certainly the case.

Paul Romano for the Red Devils was in fine form and he kept his goalscoring going in the second half with a goal which clinched the game for them.

The game ended with only a goal separating the two teams but the skill of the teams was great to watch.

### Kaiser Chiefs 9 Shalters 3

After beginning the season in mediocre form, Kaiser Chiefs now have found their touch and with new recruit Tony Marsdan the team has been revived.

The Chiefs played one-touch soccer which gave them easy goals. It was Marsdan, exhibiting his talents from outdoor soccer, that won them the game.

Jim and Toli Averinos put eight goals away between them and made the Shalters go running for the ball all over the court.

The Shalters' brother combination — Sandro and Paul Bastasin — also managed to score but a goal-a-piece was nowhere near what was needed to win.

### Calypsos 8 Disciples 3

Disciples' player Carlo Innamorati put in another good game for his team with two goals to his credit and a number of attempts that went wayward.

The Disciples still lack strength however.

Calypsos' players Sacainidis and Kotopoulos scored seven goals between them and brought about an easy victory for their team.

Calypsos have no chance of making the finals but their position on the ladder certainly looks healthier as they have moved up to seventh spot.

Disciples, on the other hand, are rooted to the bottom of the ladder and unless they make some quick changes they will see the competition out in bottom spot.

### Carcioff Rangers 2 Gippsland Ghosts 1

Group B leadership changed again with this win from Carcioff Rangers which took them to the top of the ladder.

The Rangers are a hard-working team but they always seem to just miss out.

But now that they are on top of the ladder the rest of the group will find it very difficult to knock them off.

Eliminator player Silvio Sella was there to give his team his usual Rangers.

The Rangers were given a hard battle with the scores being level at half time and the pressure on.

The Ghosts only had one scorer in Carafa but this was not enough as the rest of the game was spent in defending their goalmouth against the elusive Sella.

Daniel Cesarin, in goal for Rangers, played another brilliant game.

The Ghosts made a number of substitutions but could not come up with the right combination.

### Sweathogs 6 Master Blasters 5

These two relatively new teams indulged in a close encounter with the Sweathogs being eventual winners by only one goal.

It appeared from the scoresheet that Perry Kofos is a superb goalscorer for the Sweathogs as he put away five in the first half.

Jim Dinakis played a strong game for his side and kept his team going.

### Zlatna Luka 10 Raiders 3

Zlatna Luka is a very strong contender for top position in Group B and its win against Raiders was a big plus for its goal average.

At half time the scores were 3-2 and it seemed that it was going to be a tight finish but as the second half unfolded so did the scoring prowess of Ante Pericic and Nino Ragusa for Zlatna.

Dellas was the only player for Raiders who managed to score but with a seven-goal difference the game was lost.

### Peperoncini 3 Azzurri 3

These teams were neck and neck from start to finish.

The scoreline at half time was 2-2 with Dilorio scoring two for Peperoncini and Arborea and Filipelli scoring for Azzurri.

The Azzurri captain said after the game that victory should have been theirs but luck was against them and they could only manage a draw.

The second half saw a lot of determination shown by both teams.

The draw helped to move Peperoncini up the ladder while Azzurri stayed in seventh position.

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# EAGLES, SHARKS, CHASERS TO WIN

**Melita Eagles and Sutherland Sharks should start to climb above the rest of the field after the completion of round 16 in the NSW Skypak State League.**

It is difficult to see Polonia, with its depleted defence, holding out against the youthful and speedy front line of Melita Eagles. It only will be a matter of time before Sobczyk and Drys are subdued by Farrugia, Sertbas and Tre-dinnick to pave the way for Foxman, Farnsworth and Dalton to threaten Anderson.

For Steve Anderson, one of the most talented youngsters in State League, it will be a busy afternoon and a memorable one too!

Sutherland has had the wood on Manly

Warringah in the past and I see no reason to believe that it will be any different now. Sure, Manly has done extremely well this year and in Dick, Dean, Marshall and Stuart has exceptional players but Sutherland has been settled for many rounds and the side seems to do well in big matches such as this.

It is midfield that the Sharks will excel with Harrington, Meades and maybe young Lerond doing most damage with Scott Hughes having to work overtime in his tussle with Dick. One goal will decide the issue with the home side favored to win.

Rockdale Ilinden is not very keen on this weekend's encounter. Ilinden, the side which looked doomed after the first five rounds, is the talk of State League at present. Its silky, flowing type of game is a delight to watch.

However, Uruguay is the side which took both points against Ilinden earlier in the year at Mona Park and with Rosano and Woods holding firm at the back it will be an uphill battle for the home side. Yet I feel that Ilinden always is good for a goal or two, something I cannot say about the goal-shy Uruguayan forwards and that will be the difference between these sides.

The Chasers are raring to go against Fairy Meadow at Parklands. Thrashed by Meadow earlier in the year at Corrimal, Ku-Ring-Gai will have enough motivation to wipe clean the memory of its 3-0 drubbing by reversing the scoreline.

Frank Saladino, Meadow's president, believes that his side can repeat the scoreline, in fact he was booked to travel to Europe this

week but has delayed his trip so that he can go to Parklands and watch his side do battle with Ku-Ring-Gai!

Warringah Freshwater should claim the scalp of Penrith at Cromer Park despite the improved form of Penrith in the last five weeks. Alex Jamieson, in fine form for Penrith, will have his say on the day with Ian Hunter the only real threat up front for the mountain men.

Avala will be hard pressed to hold Wollongong Macedonia but a point a piece looks the most likely outcome with Macedonia boasting the strongest backline in the league and Avala not exactly setting the league alight with its fire power. However, the home ground advantage and the expected return of its Yugoslav imports should lift Avala to greater heights.



## Air Malta player of the year award

Leading votegetters:

17 — Ray Farrugia (ME)  
16 — Tortevski (RI)  
15 — Nasteviski (RI), Woods (U)  
11 — Filipovic (A)  
10 — J Campbell, Dick (MW), Watt (F), Watson (K), Taleviski (M), Jamieson (P)

**Skypak State League standings**

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
ROCKDALE ILINDEN	8	3	4	30	16	19
MANLY WARRINGAH	6	7	2	18	9	19
KU-RING-GAI	6	7	2	17	9	19
WOLL. MACEDONIA	6	6	3	10	6	18
Sutherland	7	4	4	15	12	18
Melita Eagles	5	7	3	24	11	17
Freshwater	6	2	7	25	29	14
Polonia	4	6	5	19	23	14
Uruguay	3	8	4	11	15	14
Avala	5	3	7	15	23	13
Penrith	4	2	9	19	35	10
Fairy Meadow	2	1	12	12	27	5

**MELITA EAGLES 1 (Farrugia pen 71st) ROCKDALE ILINDEN 1 (Risteviski 12th) at Melita Stadium.**

MELITA: Pupovac 7, — McCoy 7, Lomas — (24th Gregson 6 — sent off 87th), Wilson 7, Williams 6, — Callanan 8, Farrugia 9, Vial 6 (sent off 71st), — Farnsworth 8, Foxman 7 (sent off 90th), Dalton 7 (Meerban 83rd).

ROCKDALE ILINDEN: Berry 7, — G Wilson 7, Pilovski 8, D Wilson 6, Rodas 7, — Tortevski 6 (sent off 71st), Darlington 6, Nastoski (71st Jones), — Nasteviski 6, Genovese 7, Risteviski 7.

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Farrugia (M), 2. Callanan (M), 1. Pilovski (RI).

**FAIRY MEADOW 1 (Kirwan 50th) AVALA 2 (Blazic 17th, Bratkovic 88th) at Corrimal Memorial Park.**

FAIRY MEADOW: Krajnovic 5, — Cano 5, Maguire 6, Beringer 7, Burliegh 6, — Mirjanovic 6, Mizco 6, Richardson 8, — Baker 7, Kerr 6, Kirwan 8.

AVALA: Thurlow 6, — Blackburn 7, Brown 6 (80th Cootes), Stevens 7, Divani 7 (80th Atlagic), — Blazic 7, Marino 5 (sent off 55th), Jeffery 7, — Radal 7, Filipovic 9, Bratkovic 7.

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Filipovic (A), 2. Richardson (FM), 1. Kirwan (FM).

**PENRITH 1 (J Campbell o.g. 55th) MANLY WARRINGAH (Stuart 11th) at Cook Park.**

PENRITH: Edwards 8, — Hatton 7, D Campbell 7, Hebb 7, Shaw 7, — Jamieson 7, Thomson 6, Cross 7, Quarmby 6, — Grey 7, Hunter 6 (Martinez 80th).

MANLY: Catlin 7, — Dennis 6, Dick 8, Robin 6, Van Edmond 7, — J Campbell 6, Etherington 7, Marshall 7, — McIntosh 6, Allan 7, Stuart 7 (Davison 70th).

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Edwards (P), 2. Dick (MW), 1. Jamieson (P).

**URUGUAY 1 (Hastie 59th) SUTHERLAND 2 (Hall 75th, Hughes 77th) at Mona Park.**

URUGUAY: Rosano 7, — O'Donnell 7, Woods 7, Piriz 7, Tomasich 8, — Mosquero 7, Carrizzo 6, (Vecchiet 78th), Hastie 7, Genc 7, — Calcaterra 5, Perdomo 8.

SUTHERLAND: Burchmore 8, — Nelson 7, Terry 8, Burrows 7, Cox 7, — Parsons 6, (Hall 65th), Meades 6, Harrington 7, Johnstone 6 (Lerond 59th — 7), — Hughes 7, Sharpe 6.

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Terry (S), 2. Tomasich (U), 1. Burchmore (S).

**FRESHWATER 0 KU-RING-GAI 2 (Groome 33rd, Bass 68th) at Cromer Park.**

FRESHWATER: Bowman 6, — Watt 7, Green 6, Sterrey 7, J Bottalico 6, — Berry 7, SA. Bottalico 6 (Speranza 81st), Tkachuk 6, Burke 7, — Driene 6 (73rd Friend), Corrigan 6.

KU-RING-GAI: Lacey 7, — Kevern 9, Bertram 8, Watson 8, Goldsworthy 8, — Groome 7, Sutherland 7, Williamson 8, Quigley 7, — Nile 7, Bass 7.

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Kevern (K), 2. Williamson (K), 1. Watson (K).

**WOLLONGONG MACEDONIA 1 POLONIA 0 at Berkeley Sports Ground.**

MACEDONIA: Robinson 8, — Muhlbauer 7, Taleviski 7, Sweeney 7, Ruskin 7, — Wellbourne 8, Satin 6, Bingham 7, King 7, — Gardiner 6, Giraldi 5.

POLONIA: Anderson 7, — Chou 7, Kulwicki 8, Robertson 8, Pratt 7, — Sobczyk 7, Geekie 6, Drys 6, Colluso 6, (80th Lucchesi) — Janic 6, Pop 6.

Best players for the Air Malta award: 3. Wellbourne (WM), 2. Robertson (P), 1. Robinson (WM).

**Second Grade results: Melita — Ilinden 5-1, Uruguay — Sutherland 0-0, Penrith — Manly 1-1, Freshwater — Kuringai 0-0, Macedonia — Polonia 5-3, Fairy Meadow — Avala 1-3.**

**Third Grade results: Melita Eagles — Rockdale Ilinden 5-1, Uruguay — Sutherland 2-9, Penrith — Manly 2-1, Freshwater — Kuringai 4-3, Macedonia — Polonia 5-1, Fairy Meadow — Avala 1-3.**

2nd Grade table						3rd Grade table							
	W	D	L	F	A	Pt		W	D	L	F	A	Pt
MELITA EAGLES	10	3	1	41	11	25	SUTHERLAND	14	1	0	65	8	29
FRESHWATER	9	3	3	35	19	21	PENRITH	11	3	1	45	14	25
FAIRY MEADOWS	8	2	5	30	19	18	MELITA EAGLES	9	4	2	46	9	22
PENRITH CITY	7	3	5	34	25	17	ROCKDALE ILINDEN	9	2	4	46	19	20
Ku-Ring-Gai	7	3	5	25	17	17	Avala	9	2	4	28	20	20
Sutherland	7	3	5	19	17	17	Manly	8	1	6	24	17	17
Manly Warringah	4	6	5	21	20	13	Macedonia	5	2	8	20	12	12
Avala	6	1	8	21	23	13	Uruguay	6	1	9	22	36	11
Uruguay	4	5	6	24	29	13	Polonia	3	3	9	16	29	9
Macedonia Woll	4	3	8	27	35	11	Ku-Ring-Gai	3	1	11	16	32	7
Ilinden Rockdale	4	1	10	27	35	9	Freshwater	1	3	11	15	58	5
Polonia	2	1	12	12	48	5	Fairy Meadow	1	1	13	11	84	3

# Djordjevic back, Noon out

Harry Noon was replaced by Jovan Djordjevic in what amounted to musical chairs at Avala last week. Noon, after only two weeks, was told midweek by the Avala President that Djordjevic had been offered the coaching position he vacated some three weeks ago!

Djordjevic had resigned after his committee refused to discipline certain players.

It is understood that Noon wanted a number of Yugoslav imports to be dropped but that the committee vetoed such a move.

**Avala wins**

Zoran Filipovic returned to form and Micky Bratkovic scored a late goal to lift Avala at Corrimal Memorial Park to an unexpected win over Fairy Meadow.

The return of Djordjevic to the helm saw the return of Radak and Blazic to the side, Atlagic made the way for Ross Brown while Tom Steven was given the job of marshalling the Avala defence.

Blazic drew first blood after only 17 minutes. His 25-metre drive gave Krajnovic half a chance but the unfortunate keeper blundered and the ball finished in the net.

Paul Kirwan equalised with a header from a cross by Larry Berringer then came a storming finish by Avala and a brilliant goal by Bratkovic. He strode past two defenders then hit his shot through the legs of Krajnovic for the winner.

It was a welcome return to form for Avala and an equally unhappy game for Fairy Meadow. The side had hoped to gain its first two-pointer in many weeks to start its climb out of the danger zone.

Marino was the sixth player to be sent-off over the weekend and the first this year for Avala. He was reprimanded by the referee for an infringement and appeared to show dissent at the same time.

**Fiery encounter**

Melita Eagles scored a late equaliser at Melita Stadium to keep in touch with league leader Rockdale Ilinden. Tempers flared as both teams worked furiously to get their noses in front.

Rockdale drew first blood in the 11th minute as a Vince Nastoski cross found Jimmy Risteviski who scored from close range to give the league leader a very healthy start. From then on it was a matter of holding out.

The home side drew first blood through Robert Lowe in the first minute and had the upper hand during the first period. Yugal recovered to take hold of proceedings during the second half and Paul Van Ledden was kept busy.

Sullivan was sent off with 10 minutes left and Yugal pressed home its advantage to gain a penalty with five minutes remaining. Dez Marton scored and the points were shared.

Kingsford had an ideal chance to pull away from Yugal and Gladesville at Kensington Oval but only could manage a draw with Bathurst, leaving three teams still separated by only two points at the top of the table.

**Second Division results: Canterbury — Dee Why Swans 0-1, Kingsford Hellenic — Bathurst 1-1, Artarmon — Lebanon 1-1, Nth Bankstown — Queens Park 2-1, Campbelltown — Blacktown 0-0, Gladesville — Yugal 1-1.**



NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

Peter Berry made some fine saves during the first period to help his side go in at half time with a 1-0 lead.

Melita stormed back during the second period but could do little to make an impression on Berry until a decision by the referee gave Ray Farrugia his chance from the spot. Andrew Callanan was brought down and Farrugia beat Berry from the resultant penalty to make it 1-1.

Tempers flared following the equaliser and Lenny Vial and Vlado Tortevski got their marching orders with both camps claiming after the match that the referee had sent off the wrong players.

In the closing minutes Melita lost John Gregson, also sent off, and John Foxman to finish the game with eight players on the park but still with a point in the bag.

Both sides appear happy with the result as well as with the standard of play with 2,500 spectators treated to some exciting football.

Melita now will have to pull out all stops if it is to make its run for the title. Rockdale Ilinden, two points in front, certainly has the upper hand at present and must be favoured to win the premiership.

**Campbell blows it**

Manly Warringah still is sharing the lead with Ilinden and Kuringai but should it lose the title by a point then it surely will look back on this Cook Park encounter as an unscheduled pit-stop.

Manly looked in good touch during the first period and had Penrith stretched far and wide creating at least three good scoring chances which went begging. Don Allan grazed the upright with his header, Stuart missed from right in front and McIntosh missed two, but Manly still went in at the break leading by a goal from Robbie Stuart.

Don Allan started the move, McIntosh continued with his pass to Stuart who scored.

Ten minutes into the second half Penrith was on equal terms, compliments of an own goal by Jimmy Campbell. Manly's midfielder was on the edge of his own penalty box when he decided to find Catlin. Instead he chipped the ball into the corner of his own net.

Penrith showed willingness to come forward following this

goal and Alex Jamieson became more prominent with his midfield domination. Not to be outdone, Manly also attacked and almost snatched a winner with a Stuart shot late in the game.

**Sharks strike!**

Hall and Hughes netted within two minutes of one another to give Sutherland an impressive 2-1 win over luckless Uruguay at Mona Park. With these two points the Sharks are now only one point off the lead and look set to cause trouble in the last seven rounds.

After an eventful first half which saw Uruguay miss some chances and have the better of the proceedings both teams went into the second stanza convinced that one goal would do the trick.

Gary Hastie, a defender pushed into midfield by coach Ljubo Gokovic, scored a fine goal after 59 minutes.

But Sutherland stormed forward to grab the lead with goals by Hall in the 75th and Hughes in the 77th. Uruguay, without Van Helden (under

suspension) had no forwards left to do battle with the Sutherland defence and caved in to lose its second successive home game.

**Easy victory**

Craig Bass and Nigel Groome scored for the Chasers to give the side an easy 2-0 win over Freshwater and ease into equal first place with Rockdale Ilinden and Manly Warringah!

For Ku-Ring-Gai this was by far the most significant win of the season. The visitors were all over Freshwater and at no stage allowed it back into this match.

Andrew Lacey had two saves to make all day 1-1 the first from Steve Green in the 16th and the second from a shot by Jim Bottalico in the 38th.

Kuringai took the lead in the 33rd after a throw-in from near the corner flag by Lee Sutherland. Mark Nile took an overhead kick which deceived Bowman to hit the crossbar then bounce back for Nigel Groome to tap home.

David Watt came close for Freshwater after 57 minutes with a header before Kuringai scored its second goal.

Craig Bass used his speed to intercept an unusual, unnecessary pass back by a defender from almost on the centre line. Bass was quick to size up the pass. He raced forward and got to the ball before Bowman to beat the Freshwater keeper.



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Leading scorers:  
13 — Nasteviski (RI)  
7 — Hughes (S)  
6 — Filipovic (A), Drys (P)  
5 — Tkachuk (F), Corrigan (F), Bass (K), Pop (P), Risteviski, Genovese (RI)

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**ROUND 16, SUNDAY, 20.07.86**

POLONIA — MELITA EAGLES, Chopin Park  
ROCKDALE ILINDEN — URUGUAY, Hurstville Oval  
SUTHERLAND — MANLY WARRINGAH, Seymour Shaw Park  
AVALA — WOLLONGONG MACEDONIA, Knights Park  
KU-RING-GAI — FAIRY MEADOW, Parklands Oval  
WARRINGAH FRESHWATER — PENRITH CITY, Cromer Park

**II DIVISION, SATURDAY, 19.07.86**

BATHURST — BANKSTOWN LEBANON, Proctor Park  
YUGAL — CAMPBELLTOWN CITY, Blick Oval

**SUNDAY, 20.07.86**

BLACKTOWN UTD — CANTERBURY, Francis Park  
DEE WHY — KINGSFORD HELLENIC, Dee Why Oval  
QUEENS PARK — GLADESVILLE, Erskineville Oval  
NTH BANKSTOWN — ARTARMON, Potts Park

**III DIVISION, SATURDAY, 19.07.86**

BONDI MARINE — NTH RYDE RSL, Waverley Oval  
BAULKHAM HILLS — UNI OF NSW, Ted Horwood Reserve  
**SUNDAY, 20.07.86**

GRANVILLE CHILE — CAMPB. GUNNERS, Bensley Road  
MOOREBANK — MT DRUITT, Hammondville Oval  
WEST UNITED — KING TOMISLAV, Harold Read Reserve  
ROOTY HILL — PORT HACKING, Cawarra Park

**STATE LEAGUE, ROUND 17, SUNDAY, 27.07.86**

MELITA EAGLES — AVALA, Melita Stadium  
URUGUAYAN AUBURN — POLONIA, Mona Park  
MANLY WARRINGAH — ROCKDALE ILINDEN, Cromer Park  
PENRITH CITY — SUTHERLAND, Cook Park  
WOLL. MACEDONIA — KU-RING-GAI, Berkeley Sports Ground  
FAIRY MEADOW — PENRITH CITY, Corrimal Memorial Park

**II DIVISION, SATURDAY 26.07.86**

KINGSFORD — BLACKTOWN UTD, Kensington Oval  
LEBANON — DEE WHY, Jensen Park  
CAMPBELLTOWN CITY — QUEENS PARK, Lynwood Park

**SUNDAY, 27.07.86**

CANTERBURY DIST. — YUGAL, Blick Oval  
ARTARMON — BATHURST, Artarmon Reserve  
GLADESVILLE — NTH BANKSTOWN, Pioneer Park

**III DIVISION, SATURDAY 26.07.86**

NORTH RYDE RSL — MOOREBANK, Magdala Park  
BONDI MARINES — UNI OF NSW, Waverley Oval  
PORT HACKING — BAULKHAM HILLS, Seymour Shaw  
**SUNDAY, 27.07.86**

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## SEKULARCEVA STRATEGIJA

Proste nedelje JUST je ubedljivo pobedio svog lju-tog rivala Melbourne Croatiaju, u atmosferi koja nije bila ni malo sportska. Gomila huligana je udarila na cast i ugled fudbala, nanela neprocenjivu metu nevinim gledaocima i JUSTOVOM igralistu. Za JUST to je bila Pirova pobeda, koja je jos vecu metu donela Croatiaji, jer se dobro zna ciji su to navijaci koji fizicki napadaju cak i cuvare reda.

Navijacima JUSTa bilo je hladno oko srca kada su "plavi" istricali na teren bez Tome Karica i Vlade Bozinovskog, ali, pokazalo se da ekipa koja pretenduje na naslov sampiona ne zavisi od jednog ili dva igraca, bez obzira na njihov kvalitet i ulogu.

Posto je Sekularac planirao dva boda na svom terenu i jedan u gostima JUST je morao ici na pobedu. Medjutim, JUST je ovog puta ostavio pitanje pobednika za drugo poluvremeno, dok je prvi deo utakmice prepustio Croatiaji da izgori u jalovim napadima. Igraci Croatiaje su napadali bez prestanka, izveli su 9 kornera (JUST ni jedan), ali nisu stvorili ni jednu sansu. Zoran Nikitovic bio je skoro bez posla za razliku od proslih utakmica kada je vadio vrelo kestenje iz vatre za ceo tim.

Junaci ove taktike, koja je samlela snagu i odusevljenje protivnika bili su Vojko Vukcevic, Rade Barjaktar-ovic i Ljube Petrovski. Nisu dali protivniku priliku da primirise loptu, da ne sponinjemo suteve na gol.

Kasnije se razigrala navala. Prvi gol, u 37. minutu, bio je malo remek delo. Suli Curovic je izveo slobodan udarac izkosa sa 40 metara. Dodao je u sredinu Vlatku Belicu, koji je pronasao Ernie Tapaia na ivici kaznenog prostora Croatiaje. Tapaia je napravio varku telom, produzio do Latifa, ovaj do Spinka koji je imao slobodan prolaz. Warren Spink je uleteo u prazninu i jakim sutenom po zemlji savladao nemocnog Mirka Runje, koji se uzalud bacio na pravu stranu.

Warren Spink je treci nastup u "plavom" dresu krunisao sa tri sjajna pogodoka. Drugi mu je namestio kao na tanjiru Zdravko Lujic, posto je prethodno okrenuo tri igraca Croatiaje. Treci gol je najljepsi, jer je Spink izveo majstoriju pre nego je uputio loptu u praznu mrezu. Steta sto Spink nije iskoristio najbolju sansu koju mu je pripremio Ernie Tapaia, ali golman Croatiaje Mirko Runje je na vreme intervenisao.

Golman Runje je odbranio jos nekoliko strahovitih udaraca, koje su uputili Suli Curovic, Vlada Stosic i Osman Latif.

Sa ovom pobedom JUST popravio mizernu golrazliku i sacuvao dva boda prednosti na celu tabele. Sledeci protivnik je George Cross, tvrda momcad, koja se uporno bori za ulazak u petorku.

## MAKEDONIJA U NEUGODNOM POLUZAJU

Ne pamti se kad je poslednji put navala Makedonije postigla gol bez kojih nema pobede. u Adelaidi,

protiv domaceg Juventusa, Makedonija se odlicno drzala najveći deo utakmice, ali sta vredi kada nije uspjela da realizuje dve tri idealne sanse. na kraju utakmice odbrana je platila ceh. Cesto se dogadja da klubovi, koji ne iskoriste idealne sanse prime gol sanse.

U nedelju 20. jula Makedonija docekuje Green Gully, koji nosi fenjer u Juznoj diviziji. Ne treba potceniti protivnika iako je poslednji na tabeli, ali to je prilika da se Makedonija vrati pobednicku stazu.

## ODLOZENE UTAKMICE

Za prvenstvo Viktorije Altona Gate Vardar nije odigrala prosle subote prvenstvenu utakmicu protiv North Dandenonga zbog loseg stanja igralista, koje je bilo pod vodom.

Odlozena utakmica odigrace se na kraju sezone, dok ce u subotu 19. jula Altona Gate Vardar igrati utakmicu 17. kola protiv Knox Cityja na Paisley Reserve u North Altoni.

Juniorske kup utakmice, koje su odlozene zbog strajka petrolejskih sluzbenika odigrace se u subotu 19. jula. JUSTovi juniori igraju sve utakmice u Footscrayu. U10 pre podne tim ispod 12 godina protiv Western Suburbsa, u 11 pre podne ispod 13 godina JUST v. Western Suburbs, u 12 sati ispod 14 godina JUST v. Juventus i u 1,15 po podne ispod 16 godina JUST v. Bulleen.

JUSTov tim ispod 13 godina igra ponistenu utakmicu protiv Juventusa tek u subotu 26. jula, jer tako odgovara Juventusu?

U nedelju 20. jula igra se redovno kolo za sve juniorske lige. JUSTovi juniori igraju sve utakmice u Footscrayu. U10 pre podne tim ispod 12 godina protiv Western Suburbsa, u 11 pre podne ispod 13 godina JUST v. Western Suburbs, u 12 sati ispod 14 godina JUST v. Juventus i u 1,15 po podne ispod 16 godina JUST v. Bulleen.

## VISOKA POBEDA "SINDJELICA"

ROYAL RICHMOND SINDJELIC SINDJELIC - MORELAND PARK RANGERS 4:0 (2:0) Strelci: Tony Marchett 3 i Peter Gasco 1.

Zasluzena visoka pobeda sindjelica, koji se ne odriace borbe za prva dva mesta.

Sastav Sindjelica: P. Hrehoresin, B. Jovic, R. Jovicic (Z. Jovic od 80. minuta), J. Kondarios, J. Tibor, D. Dejanovic, P. Gasco, J. Picioane, D. Vasic, L. rino, T. Marchett.

U subotu 19. jula Sindjelic je gost north Geelong Croatiaje na Elcho Parku, Gibbon Road, My.221 C.8.

HAMLYN RANGERS je pobedio RINGWOOD SRBIJU sa 1:0. U subotu 19. jula Ringwood "Srbija" docekuje vodecu ekipu druge divizije Bulleen Veneto na Quambee Reserve u Wonga parku.

Zahvaljujuci brazilskom голу Dragana Janjica "Buce" iz slobodnog udarca Dandenong City je pobedio Sandringham sa 1:0.

## SLABA IGRA "PLAVIH" IZ SPRINGVALA

PORT MELBOURNE - SPRINGVALE UTD. 2:1 (1:0). Strelac za "Plave" Cane Veleviski u 88. minutu.

Odavno "Plavi" nisu imali ovako los dan. Nista im minje polazilo za nogom i treba zahvaliti mladom golmanu Nenadu Ranicu, sto nisu primili tuce goiva. Pored nenada Ranica treba pohvaliti i levog beka Micu jankovica.

Sastav Springvale Utd: Nenad Ranic, Dragoslav jelicic, Mica Jankovic, Goran Veljovic, Ilija Kerezovic, Zahid Tepic (John Markidis od 15. minuta), Goran Filipovski (mienko Culibrk od 46. minuta), Dejan Stevacevic, Stevan Janjic, Peter Lutgens, Cane Veleviski.

U subotu 19. jula Springvale United docekuje Geelong na igralistu Bratstva/Jedinstva u Keysboroughu.

HAWTHORN je pobedio LALOR/SLOGU sa 2:0 (1:0). U subotu 19. jula Lora Sloga igra protiv Karingala na H.R. Uren Reserve u Thomastownu.

## JUGO-DERBI BEZ ODLUKE

CENTRAL CITY CRVENA ZVEZDA - PASCOE VALE PELISTER 0:0 na Como Parku.

Odlicna i fer igra zavrslila se bez pobednika sto je realan rezultat. Zvezda je uvek bila neugodan protivnik Pelisteru, koga je smakla sa prvog mesta, koje je drzao od pocetka sezone. "Plavi" iz Pascoe Vala su van forme, jer su na zadnje tri utakmice osvojili svega jedan bod.

Sastav Zvezde: Nikola Popovic, Stevica Mecavin, Ivica Karic, Borce Belakozovski, Miodrag Velickovic, Dragan milenkovic, Bora Andjelkovic, Zoran Roksan-ic, Goran Simic, Sasa Milenkovic, Branko Stankovski (Dejan Velickovic).

Sastav Pelistera: Avramovitski, McLaughlin, Ristevski, Bonello, Stathopoulos, Valentino, Niceski, Belgrinos, Percan, Luchetti, Centorriano.

U subotu 19. jula Zvezda je gost Seaford Uniteda na North Seaford Reserve, Railway Parade, Seaford, dok Pelister docekuje Malvern City na Richards Reserve, Charles Street, Coburg.

MALVERN CITY - WILLIAMSTOWN MLADOST 2:2 (1:1). Domaci sudija krojio je rezultat kako je hteo, pa je pitanje da li ce ova utakmica biti regularna. Strelci za Mladost: Slobodan Dimitrijeviski i Cane Trajkovski.

Sastav Mladosti: slobodan Bozinovski, Graham Murray, Zarko Stefanovic, Dance Smurjevski, Venco Bozinovski, Trajce Naumovski (Zoran Ivkovic od 70. minuta), Slobodan dimitrijeviski.

U subotu 19. jula Mladost je gost Geelong Uniteda na Frindly Society Reserve, Eastern park, East Geelong. ALTONA VOJVODINA - SOUTH YARRA 0:2 (0:1). Dok je Altona igrala za licno zadovoljstvo, gosti su iz par protivnapada postigli dva gola.

Sastav Vojvodine: Pavle Oravec, nome Risteski, Zivko Jovanovski, Toni Markovski, Joe Vonja, Alex Micevski, Miki Krstin, Milo Cjepa (John Sklenar od 75. minuta), Adam Miller, Miki Risteski, Joe Gracia (Jan Cuz od 80. minuta).

RICHMOND BOXNA igrala je nereseno 3:3 sa Burwood Unitedom u gostima.

U subotu 19. jula Altona Vojvodina je gost West Meadowsa, dok Richmond BOSNA docekuje Fitzroy City na Burnley Ovalu u Richmondu.

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## ΕΥΡΩΠΑΙΚΗ ΧΥΠΕΛΛΑ

ΑΥΓΑΣΤΟΣ ήταν οι κληρώσεις των Ευρωπαϊκών ητπέλλων για τις ομάδες μας, εκτός από αυ- τη του Ολυμπιακού.

Απο κύπελλο Ιρωταθλητριών ο ΠΑΟ θα παί- ξει με την Γιουγκοσλαβική ομάδα του Β- ρυθρού Αστέρτα. Ο πρώτος αγώνας θα γίνει στην Γιουγκοσλαβία.

Στο Κύπελλοχουν ο Ολυμπιακός θα αντιμε- τωπίσει την Γιουβέντου του Λουξεμβούργου πρώτα στην Αθήνα.

Στο ΟΥΒΕΑ η ΑΕΚ κληρώθηκε με την ιταλι- κή "Ιντερ και ο πρώτος αγώνας θα γίνει στην Ιταλία.

Τέλος ο ΟΦΗ για το ΟΥΒΕΑ θα παίξει με τον Σπλιτ την ομάδα την Χάνττονικ με πρώ- το αγώνα στην Κρήτη.

Στις 15/9 θα γίνουν οι πρώτοι αγώνες. Οι επαναληπτικοί θα γίνουν την 1η Οκτώβρη.

## ΣΚΑΝΣ ΒΑΘΜΟ ΤΟ ΠΟΡΤΙΑΛΑΚΟ

ΑΝΔΡΑ στο βαρύ γήπεδο του Ναυαγώντιγκ Σί- τυ, ο ΣΡΙΠΣ Ποντιβιάλλοκ άρρησε ένα βαθμό. Το παιχνίδι ήταν μοιρασμένο και το Ι-Ι είναι δίκαιο αποτέλεσμα.

Στο 7' ο Γκρίνγουλντ έβαλε μπροστά στο σκορ του Βρήμ, ενώ λίγο μετά ένα πέναλτυ εις βάρος των γηπεδοχων δεν δόθηκε.

Στο 35' έγινε το Ι-Ι που ήταν και το τελικό αποτέλεσμα.

Η σύνθεση: Καρδαμίστης, Ρούντ, Ζορζοβίλης, Αναστασιάδης, Ααζόβιτς, Ροντρίγκες, Γκρίν- γουλντ, Κονκάλβες, Φίλιππής, Τζόουνς, Ροτζέ- ρο. Ας σημειωθεί ότι ο τοπ σκόρερ του Βρήμ δεν έπαιξε γιατί είχε 3 κίτρινες κάρτες.

Καλύτεροι ήταν οι Γκρίνγουλντ, Κονκάλβες και Τζόουνς.

## ΑΝΤΙΣΤΑΣΗ 2 - 2 ΤΟ ΠΑΛΑΕΡΝ ΣΙΤΥ

ΑΝΤΙΣΤ επίσημο ρεφερέ το ΠΑΛΑΕΡΝ ΣΙΤΥ με το Ρουβίλλιαμσάτουν έθεσαν ισοπαλία 2-2. Η ελληνική ομάδα που έπαιξε στην έδρα

της, προηγήθηκε στο σκορ με τον Κυριαζό- πούλο αλλά στο 42' οι αντίπαλοι ισοφάρι- σαν.

Στο 70' ο Λιχούδης έκανε το 2-1 και στο 71' το Ρουβίλλιαμσάτουν ισοφάρισε.

Έπαιξαν οι: Κανέν, Νίκου, Κριτσιλίδης, Κα- βαλάκης, Αλιζι, Γιαννάκης (85' Αδαμόπουλος Κυριαζόπουλος, Ρέλος, Λιχούδης, Χ. Παπαδό- πούλος, Τριανταφυλλίδης (46' Κοσάκι).

Θαυμάσια απόδοση είχε ο νεαρός Καβαλά- κης και τον ακολούθησαν οι Κριτσιλίδης και Χ. Παπαδόπουλος.

## ΣΤΟ Β' ΜΕΡΟΣ Η ΚΛΑΡΙΝΤΑ ΗΤΑΝ ΥΠΕΡΟΧΗ

ΤΡΟΚΕΡΗ η Κλαρίντα στο 4' μέρος και μετά από ένα ισόπαλο Α' ημίχρονο (1-1) τελεώ- σε το Χέλλαντ Παρκ με 4-1.

Στο 8' ο Ουγκρίνη έκανε το Ι-0 και λίγο μετά ο θαυμάσιος Ιωαννιμίδης απέκρουσε πέναλτυ.

Στην επανάληψη ο Ουγκρίνη με πέναλτυ πέ- ρασε στο σκόρ μπροστά την Κλαρίντα και οι Ηήτπου, Κοζάρης έκαναν το τελικό 4-1.

Καλύτερος από την νικητρια ήταν ο τερ- ματοφύλακας Ιωαννιμίδης.

Έπαιξαν οι: Ιωαννιμίδης, Αδάμου, Φεργαδιώ- της, Λακωνίτης, Κοντέσι, Α. Χαλαμπέρας, κ. Γκατζώνης, (Πετοάκος) Κουλάκας, Ηήτπου, Κο- ζάρης, Ουγκρίνη.

Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε ΙΟ-Ι.

## ΤΟ ΚΑΙΘΕΡΟΝ ΜΗΛΟΣ ΠΑΛΙ ΤΗΝ 2η ΘΕΣΗ

ΑΝ ΚΑΙ ΕΚΑΝΕ στο 5' το Ηλίστον από το Γαλλόφρν στο 17' ισοφάρισε με φανταστι- κό γκολ του Γκέλλη και στο 27' ο Γκίλαν με κεραυλά έκανε το 2-1 που ήταν και το τελικό αποτέλεσμα.

Στο ΙΟ' ο Τυρίκος βοήκη το δοκάρι των α- ντιπάλων και στο Ι4' ο Στρατίκης σημάδε- ψε πάλι το δοκάρι χάνοντας ευκαιρία.

Οι κυανόλευκοι μετά και την νίκη τους αυτή, πέρασαν πάλι στην 2η θέση του 3αβ-

μολογικού πίνακα μαζί με την Ροσάνα.

Έπαιξαν οι: Κύργιος, Θεοχαρίδης, Αασιτόρης, Φυρίκος, Γκέλλη, Πασιόκος, Ατματιλίδης, Πα- παγεωργίου, Γκέλλη (τραυματίσθηκε στο 55 και μπήκε ο Τσαμπόκος) Ρουάβιλλυ, Στρατί- κης.

Καλύτερος από το Γαλλόφρν ήταν ο αμυν- τικός ΡΑΥΕΛΟΥΤ.

Άριστη η διαίτησή του κ. Β. ΣΙΝΤ (10).

## ΘΡΙΑΜΒΟΣ ΤΗΣ Κ. ΤΑΛΑΣ

ΗΕ ΔΥΟ ΓΚΟΑ του Κουμπέδη η Κ. ΤΑΛΑΣ νίκη- σε στο γήπεδό της το Σπρινγκβίλ 2-1. Ας σημειωθεί ότι στο 20' ο Κουμπέδης και στο 25' ο Κουμπέδης έθεσαν πέναλ- τυ. Στο 65' ο Κετέντης "ρόκηε δοκάρι.

## ΔΟΞΑ: ΝΙΚΗΤΗΣ ΤΟΥ ΔΕΛΤΑ

ΗΕ Ι-0 η Δόξα Ριζορροβίλ νίκησε το Κουρά- μπιν Σίτυ.

Το γκολ της ελληνικής μας ομάδας πέτυχε ο Τζένης Δημητρίου.

## 4-4 ΤΟ ΠΑΛΑΕΡΝ ΣΙΤΥ

ΠΑΛΑΕΡΝΤΕΣ ένα ημίχρονο το Γκρίντντεν με 9 πόντες κόντρα στην Άνσας, προηγήθηκε Ι-0 με τον Α. Τζαρίδη.

Στην επανάληψη οι Αποστολίδου, Σαμπου- δόπουλος και Βλαζέβιτς έθεσαν το 4-1 ολ- λή στα τελευταία λεπτά η Άνσας κέρτα- ρε να ισοφαρίσει.

## Ο ΠΑΛΑΕΡΝΤΕΣ ΜΕ 4-0 ΣΦΩΣΕ ΤΟ ΠΡΩΤΟΠΟ- ΡΟ ΣΠΡΙΝΓΒΙΛ ΣΙΤΥ. ΤΑ ΓΟΛ ΠΕΤΥΧΑΝ ΟΙ ΜΑΧΙΝΕΣ 2, ΣΑΒΛΙΑΝ, ΠΑΛΑΕΡΝΤΕΣ.

ΑΝΤΙΣΤΑΣΗ Ο ΠΑΡΑΚΑΝΕ

ΗΕ 2-1 ο Παράκας νίκησε το Ατ. Αλφονσε- ρα γκολ: Πενικιόνης και αυτογκόλ.

## Victoria

STATE LEAGUE  
Croydon City 2 Caulfield City 1. re- serves 1.0. Western Suburbs 4 Spring- vale City 0. Northcote City 2 St Albans 1. Morwell Falcons 0 Thomastown 2. 2.0. Melbourne 0 Ringwood City 0. 2.2. Mar- ibrong 0 Frankston Pines 0. 7.1. Fawcner 0 Box Hill 0. 0-6.

VIC ONE  
Doveton 2 Richmond 3. 5-2. Nunawading City 1 SM Mordialloc 1. 6.0. Knox City 0 Sunbury Utd 1. 1-1. Broadmeadows 2 Werribee 0. 1-0. Don- caster Rvrs 2 Albion Rovers 4.

VIC TWO  
Waverley City 3 Keilor 0. 1-1. Royal Richmond 4 Moreland-Pk Rgs 0. 1-3. Bulleen 4 Nth Geelong 0. 5-1. Hamlyn Rangers 1 Ringwood United 0. 5-1. Dandenong City 1 Sandringham 0. 1-0. Essendon City 5 Prahran City 0. Eltham 0 Altona City 2. 0-1.

VIC THREE  
Corio 1 Prahran 3. 3-1. Geelong 0 Rosanna 0. 1-0. Moorabbin City 0 Yar- raville 1. Clifton Hill 2 Yallourn 1. Fern- tree Gully 1 Bell Park 0. Coburg 1 Mooroolbark 5. 0-3.

VIC FOUR  
East Brunswick 4 H/Berg Bundoora 2. 2-0. Karingal Utd 2 Keysborough 2. 2-0. Hawthorn 2 Lalor Utd 0. 5-2. Brigh- ton 0 Boronia 5. 1-4. Ballarat 0 West Brunswick 5. 2-3. Clarinda 4 Holland Park 1. 10-1.

PROV ONE  
Malvern City 2 Williamstown 2. 1-3. Central City 0 Pascoe Vale 0. 3-2. Ivan- hoe City 0 Seaford Utd 1. Greensbor- ough 4 Warringa 0. 4-0. Clayton 4 Geelong Utd 5. 3-3. Berwick City 1 East Preston 1. 5-1. East Geelong 1 Ardeer 1. 2-2.

PROV TWO  
Uni Of Melb 1 Forest Hill 1. 2-1. Nth Sunshine 2 Regent 1. 6-1. Monash Uni 2 Sth Dandenong 1. 4-2. Melton 1 Mon- bulk 0. 2-0. Mossiel 0 Brunswick City 0. 1-4. Dingley Utd 1 Chelsea 4. 5-0.

PROV THREE  
Port Utd 4 Parkmore 1. 1-4. Altona Utd 0 Sth Yarra 2. 3-1. Glenroy 4 West Meadows 4. 1-0. Fitzroy City 1 Meadow Park 4. 0-4. Burwood Utd 3 Richmond Utd 3.

PROV FOUR  
Kensington Utd 0 Waverley Utd 2. 1-5. Lalor 2 Northern Utd 2. 2-1. West Utd 4 Debnay Park 0. 6-0. St. Kilda 3 Ring- wood Rvrs 1. 1-1. Lyndale Utd 2 Skye Rovers 4. Mulgrave 2 Carrum Utd 1. 1-3.

AMAT ONE  
Diamond Valley 1 Eagles Utd 1. 2-3. Ascot St Marks 4 Balwyn City 1. 2-1. Brintons 2 Epping Thistle 1. 5-0. Mel- bourne Uni 0 Maccabi 3. 7-0. Northern Subs 1 Endeavour Hills 2. 3-4. Colling- wood Cy 0 Phillip Inst 0. 0-1.

AMAT TWO  
East Richmond 1 East Altona 2. 1-1. Concorde 2 Waverley Wands 3. 0-10. Old Scotch 1 Diggers Rest 1. 1-3. La Trobe Uni 2 Yarra Utd 0. 3-0.

AMAT THREE  
Inter City 2 Camberwell Grmr 3. 1-1. Anstey 6 Keilor Utd 0. 3-2.

STATE LEAGUE  
RESERVES  
W D L F A P  
Croydon City 15 2 0 56 11 31  
Frankston Pines 11 2 4 35 30 24  
Springvale City 9 3 4 28 22 21  
St Albans 8 3 5 40 30 19  
Box Hill 6 6 5 31 22 18  
Caulfield City 7 3 7 33 21 17  
Morwell Falcons 7 3 7 29 34 17  
Fawcner 6 5 5 26 37 17  
Western Suburbs 6 4 6 29 29 16  
Ringwood City 5 4 8 32 29 14  
Thomastown 5 4 8 21 27 14  
Maribyrnong 3 5 9 17 36 11  
Northcote City 4 1 11 17 37 9  
Melbourne 2 1 24 11 60 4

VIC ONE  
Oakleigh 12 3 1 33 9 27  
Broadmeadows 12 3 2 28 13 27  
Nunawading City 9 5 3 36 20 23  
Altona Gate 7 5 4 25 16 19  
SM Mordialloc 7 5 5 29 21 19  
Werribee 9 1 7 27 25 19  
Doncaster Rovers 8 2 7 32 30 18  
Sunbury Utd 7 3 7 23 19 17  
Nth Dandenong 3 8 5 21 18 14  
Richmond 3 8 5 23 28 13  
Knox City 3 5 9 18 29 11  
Albion Rovers 4 3 10 21 33 11  
Mornington 2 4 10 15 35 8  
Doveton 2 4 11 13 38 8

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Knox City 14 2 1 58 15 30  
Broadmeadows 12 3 2 45 18 27  
Nunawading City 10 3 2 36 20 23  
Sunbury Utd 7 7 3 23 17 21  
Altona Gate 5 5 6 23 23 15  
Doncaster Rovers 4 7 5 18 27 15  
Oakleigh 5 4 6 28 27 14  
Mornington 3 8 5 31 36 14  
Richmond 4 5 8 28 43 13  
Werribee 5 2 10 29 31 12  
SM Mordialloc 4 4 8 27 44 12  
Nth Dandenong 4 2 7 24 32 10  
Albion Rovers 2 5 9 23 30 9  
Doveton 4 1 11 21 51 9

VIC ONE  
W D L F A P  
Bulleen 13 3 1 38 8 29  
Dandenong City 9 6 2 19 14 24  
Essendon City 9 5 3 34 22 22  
Royal Richmond 6 5 4 26 29 21  
Nth Geelong 7 6 4 25 28 20  
Waverley City 5 7 5 22 25 17  
Prahran City 6 5 6 22 26 17  
Sandringham 6 4 7 23 21 16  
Hamlyn Rangers 6 4 7 24 23 16  
Eltham 4 7 6 20 21 15  
Ringwood United 4 6 6 14 17 14  
Altona City 5 3 9 24 32 13  
Keilor 2 4 11 13 35 8  
Moreland-Pk Rgs 2 0 15 16 39 4

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Eltham 5 3 9 22 37 13  
Sandringham 5 2 10 32 38 12  
Moreland-Pk Rgs 5 2 10 21 29 12  
Royal Richmond 0 5 12 14 54 5

VIC THREE  
Mooroolbark 13 3 1 36 9 29  
Springvale Utd 9 3 5 36 24 21  
Rosanna 9 3 5 33 25 21  
Clifton Hill 8 5 4 26 25 21  
Bell Park 7 5 5 28 17 19  
Yallourn 6 7 4 15 12 9  
Ferntree Gully 6 6 5 31 21 18  
Yarraville 5 8 4 16 14 18  
Moorabbin 8 2 7 16 22 18  
Geelong 5 5 7 25 30 15  
Corio 6 2 9 22 26 14  
Port Melbourne 5 1 11 18 28 11  
Prahran 3 3 11 19 34 9  
Coburg 0 5 12 13 47 5

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Dandenong City 12 3 2 27 15 27  
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Nth Geelong 10 3 4 36 24 23



Epping Thistle	9	1	4	30	27	19
Collingwood Cy	7	2	4	37	16	16
Brinsford	7	1	5	30	18	15
Eagles Utd	5	2	7	25	40	12
Maccabi	4	3	7	23	35	11
Endeavour Hills	4	2	8	27	33	10
Phillip Inst	4	2	8	27	33	10
Northern Subs	5	0	9	31	44	10
Melbourne Uni	4	1	9	31	33	9
Diamond Valley	2	4	8	13	43	8

Diggers Rest	9	2	2	29	15	20
Waverley Wands	8	3	2	41	19	19
East Allona	9	0	4	34	18	18
La Trobe Uni	8	1	4	32	22	17
Hawthorn Utd	7	1	4	44	30	15
East Richmond	6	0	6	32	30	12
Old Scotch	4	3	6	18	21	11
Concorde	4	2	7	21	29	10
Yarra United	3	2	6	30	37	8
Oakleigh Utd	3	2	7	24	35	8
Nth Melbourne	0	0	11	7	60	0

East Allona	8	5	0	34	15	21
Waverley Wands	8	4	1	56	10	20
La Trobe Uni	8	3	2	30	15	19
Diggers Rest	7	4	2	30	19	18
Hawthorn Utd	6	2	3	37	25	14
Yarra United	4	3	5	30	27	11
East Richmond	4	2	6	19	40	10
Old Scotch	3	2	6	16	27	8
Oakleigh Utd	4	0	8	22	42	8
Concorde	1	4	8	23	46	6
Nth Melbourne	0	1	10	3	41	1

Upfield	7	2	1	53	20	16
Intercity	6	3	1	32	14	15
Keilor Utd	6	2	2	32	23	14
Cammerwell Grm	6	0	5	25	28	12
Anstey	5	0	4	30	20	10
R.M.I.T.	4	0	7	23	28	9
Mazenod College	4	0	7	23	28	9
Old Paradians	3	0	7	20	29	6
Reservoir Egl	3	0	9	12	50	0

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Keilor Utd	5	3	1	27	10	13
Cammerwell Grm	3	3	3	17	17	9
R.M.I.T.	4	0	3	15	11	8
Old Paradians	4	0	5	22	19	8
Upfield	3	2	4	13	21	7
Anstey	2	2	2	8	11	6
Mazenod College	1	0	8	5	32	2

Boronia	11	3	1	47	13	25
Nunawading City	9	4	2	44	18	22
Greensborough	11	0	4	50	23	21
Doncaster	10	3	2	45	17	20
Dandenong City	9	1	5	40	20	17
Fernfree Gully	8	0	7	26	15	15
Moorabbin City	6	2	7	33	13	11
Clayton	4	5	6	35	33	11
Sandringham	4	2	9	39	45	8
Monash Univ	3	2	10	24	48	8
Monbulk	2	1	12	18	52	5
Eltham	0	3	11	23	66	3

Round 15 results: Doncaster 1 Clayton 1, Dandenong City 1 Eltham 1, Monbulk 1, Nunawading City 2, Greensborough 7 Monash Uni 1, Moorabbin City 0 Boronia 4, Sandringham 2 Fernfree Gully 4.
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DIVISION 2: Preston Pythons 5 Fogolar Furlan 1, 4-3 Rowville United 5 St. Bernard's O.C. 2, 3-1.
DIVISION 3 EAST: Bowater Scott 6 Dandenong Confor 1, Dallas United 4 Swinburne 1, Ferris United 9 The Age 0, N.T.N.-X St. Helena 5 Whittlesea 0, Salesian College 1 Keeley Kings 3.
DIVISION 3 WEST: Deer Park 3 Highpoint 4, St. Albans Wands 4 Altona Heights 1.
DIVISION 4: Creswick Town 4 Kings Pk Heights 4, Gasdrin City 4 Ansett 4, Lamnion 3 Sunbury 0.

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Apollo United	4	5	2	29	23	13
All Nth Tarxien	4	3	4	12	11	6
A.N.Z. Bank	2	2	7	21	45	5
Essendon Trams	2	2	7	20	45	6
T.A.A.	0	2	9	14	33	2

W D L F A P I						
Glenroy Doxa Utd	7	1	3	35	19	15
Tottenham	6	3	2	30	16	15
Middle Park	6	3	2	20	12	15
All Hinds C.W.	7	0	5	31	16	14
Meko Holdings	6	1	4	32	25	13
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T.A.A.	0	2	9	14	33	2

Nippendenso	2	1	7	18	43	5
Sunbury	0	1	10	9	30	1

SOUTH AUSTRALIA						
DIVISION ONE: Azzurri 0 W Torrens 0						
Croatia 1 Hellas 2, Lion Grange 0 Polonia 1, Modbury 0 Campbelltown 3, Salisbury 0 Para Hills 2, Woodville 2						
Elizabeth 1.						
DIVISION TWO: Adelaide C 1 Brighton City 1, Cumberland 1 Blackwood 0, Pt Adelaide 0 Noarlunga U 1, Seaford 2, Athelstone 1, Westfield 1 Thebarton 1.						

WESTERN AUSTRALIA						
STATE LEAGUE: Balga 0 Inglewood 2, Forrest 1 1 E Fremantle 0, Gosnells 0, Assuri 6, Spearwood 4, Kelmscott 0, 'Stirling' M 3 Osborne Pk 0.						
DIVISION TWO: Bassendean 0 Balcalta 2, Cockburn 4 Sorrento 1, Kingsway 5 Melville 1, Kwinana 3 Fremantle 8, Morley 3 East Perth 3, Queens Pk 0 North Perth 0.						
DIVISION THREE: Armadale Pk 0 Western 1, Booragoon 1 Subiaco 0, Leederville 0 Bunbury C 3, Mt Lawley 4 Rockingham 3, Perth City 1 Swan Ath 0, Wanneroo 1 Swan Crac 3.						

NORTHERN NSW						
STATE LEAGUE: W. Wallend 3, Adamstown 0, Austral 2 Cardiff 1, Central Coast 2, Highfields 3, Lake Macquarie 2 Wallend 1, Belmont 0 Weston 0.						

QUEENSLAND						
PREMIER LEAGUE: Taringa 5 Thistle 2, Brisbane 1 2 Eastern Subs 0, Ipswich U 2 Coalslars 1, Wynnum 0 Olympic 1, North Star 2 Mt Gravatt 2.						
INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE: Mitchelton 1 Acacia Ridge 2, Redlands 2 Sunny-side 2, Annerley 0 Newmarket 0, Triden 2 Rochdale 0 R 2, Pine Rivers 0, Bris. City 2.						
DIVISION ONE: Inala City 3 Redcliffe 1, Bardons 5 Darral 1, Souths Utd 2 Nerang 0, Brighton 3 University 3, St Albans 0 goodna 3, Blacks Creek 5 Kingsridge 1.						

DIVISION TWO: Amberley 0 Beenleigh 3, Orley Utd 2 Albany 1, Brothers Utd 1 The Gap 1, Pine Hills 2 Samford R 2, Virginia U 4 Ipswich C 3, Southside 1 Capalaba 1.						
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TASMANIA						
NORTH: Burnie 2 Olympic 1, George Tn 5 Matric 0, Launceston U 0 Juventus 1, Ulverstone 5 Croatia 0, Western S 2 Devonport 6.						
SOUTH: Howrah 3 (Hales, R. New, own goal) Rapid 3 (Nikolai, Cionci, Fletcher), Caledonians 6 (Joseph 2, Parker, Murtagh, 2 own goals) Metro-Clearmont 1 (Oliver), Olympia-WPL 4 (Xanthopoulos 2, Forster, Nichols) Caledonians 0 Rapid 2 (Fletcher, Schmitt) Juventus Pioneer 0.						

Leading scorers: 16-J. Broadhouse (Juventus); 14-R. Leszczynski (White Eagles); 13-A. Leszczynski (White Eagles); 10-G. Schueler (Howrah), P. Forster (Olympia); 9-P. Xanthopoulos (Olympia); 8-J. McIntyre (Croatia), C. Nichols (Olympia), A. Joseph (Caleds), B. Murtagh (Caleds), S. Pace (Juventus).						
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Cadbury State League						
Juventus-Pioneer 10 1 4 42 25 21						
White Eagles 9 2 3 44 20 20						
Croat-Glenorchy 9 2 3 28 13 20						
Olympia-WPL 9 1 5 42 23 19						
Caledonians 6 3 6 28 42 15						
Rapid 3 2 10 18 33 8						
Howrah 3 2 9 20 38 8						
Metro-Clearmont 2 1 11 10 38 5						

W D L F A P I						
Caulfield City A	8	0	1	39	7	16
Beaumaris	6	0	2	30	12	12
Bruswick City	4	2	3	21	21	10
Kew Park Rngs	4	0	4	21	17	8
Prahran St	3	2	3	21	23	8
Sandringham	3	2	2	17	14	7
Malvern City	3	1	5	13	19	7
Brighton	3	0	6	7	31	6
Sth Melb Hellas	0	0	8	4	31	0

Caulfield Cy B .....	6	0	2	29	13	12
Melbourne .....	5	0	3	38	24	10
Clifton Hill .....	3	0	5	11	21	6
Karingal 'B' .....	2	0	5	19	28	4
Mordialloc .....	1	0	6	8	34	2
East Richmond .....	0	0	8	3	76	0
EASTERN A						
S/valle City 'A' .....	7	1	0	42	4	15
Mitcham .....	7	1	1	22	12	15
Knox City .....	6	1	2	25	16	13
Blaxeyday Cr. (A) .....	3	2	3	15	17	13





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## SOUTHERN DIVISION

### Brisbane City vs Heidelberg Alexander

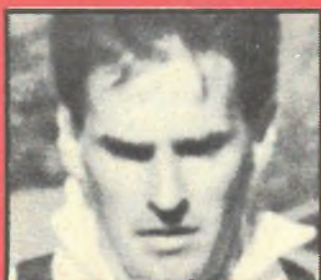
Spencer Park SUNDAY 3pm

*Youth Game:*

Frankston vs Heidelberg 12.45pm



PETER FALCONER



ROBBIE CULLEN

### Adelaide Hellas vs Brunswick Juventus

Hindmarsh Stadium SUNDAY 2.30pm

*Youth Game:*

Brighton vs Brunswick Juventus 12.45pm

### South Melb Hellas vs Adelaide City

Middle Park SUNDAY 3pm

*Youth Game:*

Sth Melb Hellas vs Nunawading City 12.45pm



CARL HALFORD



STEVE JACKSON

### Melbourne Croatia vs Brisbane Lions

Olympic Park No. 1 SUNDAY 3pm

*Youth Game:*

Croatia vs Fawkner 12.45pm

### George Cross vs Footscray JUST

Chaplin Reserve SUNDAY 3pm

*Youth Game:*

Sunshine Geo Cross vs JUST 12.45pm



DON MACLAREN



NICK VAN EGMOND

### Preston Makedonia vs Green Gully

Connor Reserve SUNDAY 3pm

*Youth Game:*

Makedonia vs Green Gully 12.45pm

## NORTHERN DIVISION

Wollongong City vs Inter Monaro  
Wollongong Showground SUNDAY 3pm

Canberra City vs St George  
Bruce Stadium SUNDAY 3pm

Marconi vs Canterbury  
Marconi Stadium SUNDAY 3pm

Sydney City vs Blacktown  
Sydney Athletic Field SUNDAY 3pm

APIA Leichhardt vs Sydney Croatia  
Lambert Park SUNDAY 3pm

Sydney Olympic vs Newcastle  
Pratten Park SUNDAY 3pm

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